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ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT AND ADVANCEMENT

Governor's Appeal At Boy Scouts' Association Annual Meeting

REV. N.V. HALWARD DECORATED WITH SILVER WOLF

At the annual meeting of the Hong Kong Branch of the Boy Scouts' Association, held at St. John's Cathedral Hall last evening, it was stressed by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, Patron and Colony Chief Scout, that though the movement locally was doing fine work, there was much room for improvement and advancement. The boys of the really poor classes had not yet been reached. They, after all, would be the fathers of the majority of the new generation, and it was important that they should be properly moulded. His Excellency appealed to the public for a very much wider subscription list and a greater number of trained helpers.

Those present at the Council table were H. E. the Governor, the Rev. N. V. Halward, Colony Commissioner, Mr. E. Cock, President, Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Vice-President, Mr. D. A. Pockson, Hon. Secretary, and Messrs. Lo Koon-hang and Lo Koon-kan, Joint Hon. Treasurers. Amongst others who attended were Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Commodore E. B. C. Dicken, and the Rev. J. R. Higgs.

The first business before the meeting was the adoption of the annual report and the adoption of the balance sheet and accounts. These, proposed by Mr. Cock and seconded by Hon. Mr. King and proposed by Hon. Mr. Chau and seconded by Commodore Dicken, were carried unanimously. Next came the election of the Council for the coming year. The outgoing members were re-elected en bloc, with the exception of Sir William Hornell, who has left the Colony. Mr. D. J. Sloss and Mr. A. E. Pratt became new members of the Council.

AWARDS PRESENTED
Next came the presentation of awards and warrants by His Excellency. Notable amongst these were the award of the Silver Wolf to the Colony Commissioner by the Chief Scout for his most excellent



Rev. N. V. Halward, M.C.
Colony Commissioner.

services to the movement, a certificate of commendation from His Excellency the local Chief Scout to Scout Dicken Lay for his smart action in arresting a thief on June 23 last, and the District Scoutmaster's warrant to Mr. Quah Cheow Cheang, this being the first such ever awarded a Chinese.

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CUSTOMS SITUATION IN SHANGHAI

JAPAN INSISTS ON RIGHT TO ACT INDEPENDENTLY REGARDING MILITARY STRATEGY

Tokyo, November 29: A spokesman of the Foreign Office to-day announced that the British and American Ambassadors had presented similar Notes to Japan expressing concern over the Customs situation in Shanghai. Japan's reply had not yet been given.

"Our military forces desire control of the Shanghai customs. They fully understand that foreign loans are secured on the Customs but in view of the present situation in Shanghai the Customs must be kept under Japanese military control while military operations continue. Supposing the Shanghai customs revenue were used for buying munitions for China? The position would be almost intolerable to the Japanese military authorities," said the spokesman who added that the Japanese Consul-General in Shanghai had reported that negotiations with local Customs officials were proceeding smoothly.

The British and French Consuls-General in Shanghai had already made representations to the Japanese Consul-General to which he had replied.

The Foreign Office spokesman said that the actual measures to be enforced in Shanghai were being drafted. He would be unable to say whether Japan would consult Britain, but she was very likely to do so.

While it was premature to say what would emerge from the negotiations, added the spokesman, "I am able to say that it is most likely that the interests of the Powers concerned will be respected."

Replying to questions, the spokesman said, "I think Japan has an obligation to respect the foreign loans secured on the Chinese Customs."

The spokesman revealed that Manchurian quotas on Chinese Customs obligations amounting from \$10,000 to \$20,000 were lying in the Central Bank in Manchukuo and if the Powers would negotiate with Manchukuo he thought their release could be arranged.

NEW REGIME

The Japanese spokesman declined to answer a question as to whether

Chinese Customs collections deposited by banks in North China would only be released if the Powers recognised the new Chinese regime which it has been forecast will be established in the near future.

Dealing with Chinese Customs tariff, the spokesman declined to disclose whether Britain and America had asked to be consulted before any revisions were made or whether the Japanese would extend their control of tariffs.

BADLY TANGLED

Emphasising that the legal and strategic issues in Shanghai were badly tangled another official of the Foreign Office pointed out that the Chinese authorities underlines foreign rights and interests in Shanghai.

The official declared, "Japan

takes the position that she does not have to consult Britain and America regarding any projected Japanese action in Shanghai when this has to be considered wholly as a matter of military strategy. We insist we have a right to act independently insofar as these phases are concerned but foreign rights and interests will be fully respected. Japan does not intend to interfere with the administrative functions of the Shanghai Municipal Council or of the International Settlement. On any case anything that is done will be merely provisional and a matter for military expediency. We may repeat the method used in Manchukuo of setting aside a portion of the Customs receipts as security for loan on payments."

GENERAL YANG FU-CHEN INTERVIEWED

War In China Concerns The Whole World

JAPAN-SOVIET WAR POSSIBLE

PRESENT FASCIST JAPAN MAY SWING TO EXTREME LEFT

"Sympathy for China and her stand against Japanese aggression is strong in Europe. I have had the good fortune of meeting many European leaders in the course of my tour, and I have been struck with the wide measure of moral support for my country in the present crisis. In fact, the feelings of the people are a long way ahead of their Government's, and representative leaders frequently point out, in public speech or print, their respective Government's slowness of action and urge insistently for a more positive policy."

In these words General Yang Fu-chien summed up the reactions of his European tour in a special interview granted to the "Daily Press" yesterday. The General has just arrived in Hong Kong after an extended visit to Europe, and is stopping over for a few days prior to going North to await his Government's orders.

General Yang was one of the principal actors in the Sian political drama of December, 1936, which involved the detention of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and led subsequently to a strengthening of policy by the Central Government. The full story of this remarkable coup d'état is told in the published extracts from the diary of Marshal Chiang.

General Yang had, since 1930, been Pacification Commissioner and Provincial Chairman of Shensi Province. He has devoted a great many of his 44 years to active support of the Revolutionary cause in China, and is considered to be one of the ablest military leaders in the country.

Tanned and physically strengthened by many campaigns on the field and betraying the rugged aspect of a soldier, the General is

yet every inch a gentleman, simple, unassuming and perfectly natural in manner and speech. He received our representative with typical Chinese courtesy in his suite in the Peninsula Hotel, and discussed current questions with him for over an hour.

Asked if popular opinion in European countries was likely to make itself felt, General Yang said that it should one day find effect.

DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT

"The Government of Great Britain, for example," said the General, "is a democratic government, and its policy should be in accordance with the feelings of the greater mass of the people. If we assume that the government system is a true democratic one, then it must sooner or later admit public opinion."

"Do you think that foreign aid will be forthcoming?"
"That will depend on events," said the General. "We hope, however, that England, the United States, France and Soviet Russia will co-operate in a common line of action to stop this cruel and unjustified invasion."

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PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES AT NANKING

Difficulties For U.S. Authorities

Nanking, Nov. 29.

As a precautionary measure the majority of British nationals and also American, German and Dutch nationals boarded the hulk to-day. No trouble is feared but it is felt better that these persons should sleep on the hulk, confining ashore if possible in the day time, rather than risk a last minute departure. E.M.S. Cricket is at present the only British gunboat at Nanking. Americans number thirty-five men

THE DOLLAR

T.T. ON NEW YORK: 36-15/16
T.T. ON LONDON: 1s. 2 3/4

London Silver Market

(From Our Own Correspondent).

London, Nov. 29.

London silver prices to-day

were up 1/16 as follows:—

Nov. 27. Nov. 29.

Spot.....19-11/16 19-3/4

Forward.....19-9/16 19-5/8

and seven women and the U.S.S.

Panay and it is also possible that

a steamer expected from Hankow

will evacuate the nationals but the

U.S. authorities are facing a most

difficult problem owing to the

refusal of thirty-two of these in-

cluding missionaries, pressmen and

newsreel men to leave town.—

Reuter

Missionaries Plead For Peace

According to news received in the Colony last evening the latest effort to bring about a settlement of the Sino-Japanese conflict is sponsored by a body of missionaries who have addressed letters to America, Japan and "all the Christians of the world."

In the opinion of the spokesman for the party the most dangerous thing in Great Britain and the United States is the pent-up indignation at the aggression pursued by Japan in China. He went on to suggest that all foreigners

should cease to support Japan economically, for "how can we support anything economically what we condemn morally?"

"We now ask the Christians of the world to withdraw, economically, support for Japan as long as this aggression is being pursued."

Continuing the spokesman said that if Japan were to be asked to respect the political integrity of China the other Powers might well be asked to do the same, and that extraterritoriality be renounced by

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Speeding Up Air Travel

The 500th return flight of K.L.M. Royal Dutch Air Lines from Amsterdam to Batavia started on November 13.

This is the fastest route from Europe to the Far-East and is operated three times a week with Giant Douglas DC-3 'planes'. At the end of this flight the K.L.M. had covered this route a thousand times and it is 9,000 miles from Amsterdam to Batavia, so this corresponds to 360 flight round the equator.

The idea of bringing Holland and the Netherlands Indies closer together by means of an express connection by aeroplane dates from the earliest days of the K.L.M.

The first flight from Amsterdam to Batavia was that of Capt. Van der Hoop, Capt. Van Weeden Poelman and Mechanic Van den Broeke in the single-engine Fokker F VII, with a cruising speed of 70 miles per hour, starting on October 1, 1924. Nowadays K.L.M. planes fly every other day along the Amsterdam-Batavia route, covering the distance of 9,000 miles in 54 days.

On September 25, 1930 the regular fortnightly Amsterdam-Batavia service was inaugurated. On October 1, 1931 the weekly service, in June 1935, the twice weekly service was opened, and on October 2, of this year the K.L.M. started its three times a week service.

RECORD FLIGHTS

Meanwhile the K.L.M. had effected two brilliant flights; the first in 1934 when the Douglas DC-2 "Oliver" competed in the Mac Robertson air race. The crew consisted of Mr. Parmentier, Commander, Mr. Moll, first Officer, Mr. Van Brugge, Wireless Operator, and Mr. Prins, engineer. The plane flew from Mildenhall to Melbourne in three days and eighteen hours, arriving second, having carried 3 passengers and 181 kilograms of mail, winning the first prize in the handicap race. After this success the K.L.M. ordered 30 Douglas air liners.

The other record flight was carried out when the "Snipe" one of the K.L.M. Fokker F XVIII's started from Amsterdam airport, for South American and the Netherlands West Indies. Capt. Hondong

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PLANES FOR CHINA

FOUND IN CARGO OF FREIGHTER

Alleged Discovery By Kobe Police

Kobe, Nov. 29.

Parts of bombing and battle planes consigned to China through Hong Kong are reported to have been discovered by Kobe police in the cargo of a Maersk freighter which arrived yesterday from New York.—Reuter.

LONDON AMUSED

London, Nov. 29.

Reuter learns that the "Nichi Nichi Shimbun's" story regarding Dr. Wellington Koo's negotiations for a munitions loan is completely denied in authoritative circles in London. City circles say that no sort of a loan, the proposals of which might form the basis of the report, have been made by China. The story has amused the city.—Reuter

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Important Rubber Meeting

INCREASE IN AMERICA'S CONSUMPTION EXPECTED

London, Nov. 29.

On the eve of the most important meeting of the International Rubber Committee, Mr. A. L. Viles, President of the New York Rubber Manufacturers' Association, told Reuter's correspondent that he is anticipating a big increase in the United States' consumption adding, "I am actually nervous about the possible rate of acceleration of demand."

Mr. Viles based his belief of the United States' recovery on the greater co-operation between the Government and the business.

"What we are most keen on is the greater stability in the price of rubber. The Committee has already reduced stocks, produced supplies to meet the sudden increase in demand and it is now up to the Committee to prevent excessive fluctuations which is harmful to our business," he said.

Meanwhile, Mr. A. D. Money, Chairman of Rubber Companies, in a leader in the Financial Times, suggests leniency to temperance per pound as the proper level for rubber.

All papers comment on Mr. J. G. Hay's speech at the meeting of the Sungei Buaya Sumatra Rubber Company when he said, "I do not view with satisfaction the present position of rubber and there is just cause for expecting the necessary corrective action."

The speech was given special prominence as Mr. Hay is a member of the Committee.—Reuter.

CHINA REMAINS UNDAUNTED

While the topic of the day remains to be the latest developments in the Sino-Japanese hostilities—the rumoured Japanese intention to take over control of the Chinese Maritime Customs—the Chinese Higher Command remains undaunted by the minor successes scored by Japan on the various points of the front.

The Garrison Commander at Kiangyin, for instance, declared in a statement issued last night that the whole nation were determined to hold out to the last man but he felt confident that the Kiangyin garrison alone would be able to hold out for several months.

EMERGENCY ALARM

It is notified for general information that tests of a concerted alarm system for use in an emergency will be carried out to-day, at 10 a.m. and at 8 p.m. The practice alarm will be effected by the following means:—

Sirens of His Majesty's ships in harbour and His Majesty's dockyard craft, on which a series of short blasts will be given.

Sirens mounted on Police vehicles.

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BOY SCOUTS' ANNUAL MEETING

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COMMISSIONER'S SPEECH
The Colony Commissioner then made his speech, as follows:

Your Excellency, ladies and gentlemen, brother Scouts. I find it very difficult to express in adequate terms my feelings on such an occasion as this. Whilst I appreciate to the full the honour which the Chief Scout has seen fit to confer upon me, and which you, Sir, have just so kindly presented to me, I am at the same time very much aware of my many shortcomings as Commissioner. It is only because I have had the wholehearted support of all Members of the Association that I have felt justified in carrying on during the past year or two.

The criticism has been made that Scouting in many cases tends to take the place that religion should hold in a boy's or man's life. First and foremost I am a Christian and a priest in Christ's Church, but I have for many years looked upon Scouting as a practical means of expressing some of the great ideals for which Christianity stands. A Scout does his best to help other people at all times and tries to be a friend to all. Brother Scouts, you and I belong to a great world-wide movement which, if each individual member plays his part to the best of his ability and in accordance with our Promise and Law, will I firmly believe, help to bring about a better world in which men will learn to appreciate and understand one another instead of continually flying at one another's throats and resorting to war with all its attendant horrors.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

I am proud to know that this Association plays its part in these two respects. Both corporately and individually, known and unknown, many acts of service to the community have been performed year in and year out. In this connection may I remind Groups that the Street Sleepers' Shelter Society is again calling for volunteers to help in the running of shelters this winter. In the past many Scouts have volunteered for service and I hope there will be many Scouts offering themselves again.

Friendly relations with our brother Scouts in South China have been well maintained during the past year, and we all hope that conditions will soon be such as to enable us to resume those frequent interchanges of visits which help so much in the promotion of friendship and goodwill between this Colony and South China. In conclusion I would like to thank you for the support you have given not only to myself, but to all officers during the past year.

HIS EXCELLENCY'S ADDRESS
His Excellency then addressed the meeting. He said he did not think it was necessary for him at a meeting of this sort to dilate on the principles underlying the Scout Movement. Those of them who were not active members were deeply interested and fully aware of these principles. He would put it in one phrase. The boy was father of the man and if they wanted a satisfactory mankind it was absolutely necessary that they should prepare the antecedent boy-kind. The question arose as to what Hong Kong was doing in this respect. From what he had found, although progress was being made, it was not far as it ought to be, certainly not as far as the movement demanded.

Nevertheless, valuable support was being given and here he would like to express his thanks to the multifarious kindnesses of their many friends. In particular the Colony Commissioner had asked him to express his gratitude to the Military and Naval authorities and to the heads of civil government departments for the facilities and help given during the year. He also thanked subscribers and not least those who had helped them out in their Chai Wan debt, which was still over \$4,000.

ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT
His Excellency did not, however, wish to paint too bright a picture. There was room for improvement. The assistance of trained workers was lacking and he appealed to young men with experience in scouting to come forward in greater numbers and to offer their services. Notwithstanding their numbers it was obvious that shortage of workers and shortage of funds were preventing the movement to get down to the poorer classes of boys. These would be the fathers of the new generation and it was immensely important to see that

POLICE COURT BREVITIES

Caught digging up earth at Mount Shadwell near Bullock Lane on Saturday, Tsang Chiu, 42, widow, and Kwan King-sin, 50, unemployed, were charged before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday and bound over in \$20 each for one year.

Leung Tong-so, 28, unemployed, was sentenced to three months' hard labour and recommended for banishment by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday on a charge of assaulting Mrs. Katar Kaur on the roof of No. 55 Ngan Mok Street on November 5 last year.

Sub-inspector W. N. Durkin, prosecuting, said there were actually three men involved and it was thought that robbery was the object but there was no evidence of that.

In passing sentence, His Worship remarked that it was a cowardly thing for defendant to do, not only to assault a woman, but to get two other men to help him.

Two snatches, both of whose victims were women, were remanded for 48 hours by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday for medical examination. In one case Chan Kwong, 19, unemployed, was convicted of snatching a pair of earrings valued at \$10 from a 62-year-old woman at Tung Lo Wah Road and in the other Wong Wah, 36, unemployed, admitted having stolen a handbag containing \$24.45 and other articles from a young married woman in Des Vaux Road on Saturday afternoon.

Kwan Tong, alias Kwan Po, unemployed actor, appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday charged with wounding one Lo Kam Yuen with intent to do him grievous bodily harm. An application by the police for a remand of 72 hours in custody was granted.

The Dairy Farm Co., Ltd., were complainants before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday when Ho Yuk-ming, 20, unemployed, was charged with larceny of four empty milk bottles from the back lane at Morston Terrace, Causeway Bay. Defendant was sentenced to four weeks' hard labour.

Complaints from residents around Kennedy Road, near Garden Road, that nallah at that spot was being used by Chinese males for bathing, led to the posting by the police of an extra patrol and the arrest on Saturday of Cheung Hung, 20, unemployed yesterday and fined \$2.

Sub-inspector Armit said this was a perennial nuisance and last week a lady resident at Kennedy Terrace wrote to the police. Not only were the men exposing their persons but they also raised a great amount of noise.

For unlawful possession of pine tree wood, two unemployed men, Ho Fat and Ho Cheuk, were each fined \$5.60 or one month's imprisonment by Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Police Court yesterday.

they were properly moulded. Hong Kong had a great name for its devotion to social services and His Excellency thought that perhaps the Boy Scout movement had taken a back seat in this respect. He took this opportunity of making a very strong claim on the pockets and endeavours of the public.

In conclusion His Excellency congratulated the Colony Commissioner on the honour of being awarded the Silver Wolf. It was a very high award and only given for very meritorious services of an international character. The Rev. Mr. Halward had been a Scout for 18 years, seven of which had been spent in Hong Kong and South China, and he was deeply grateful for his services. With that he would wish the Hong Kong branch of the Boy Scouts Association every success in the coming year. (Applause).

VOTE OF THANKS

In proposing a vote of thanks to His Excellency, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall said in part: "Your Excellency, the Colony Commissioner, ladies and gentlemen, the Commissioner has entrusted me with a pleasant duty. It is to propose a vote of thanks to His Excellency. His Excellency is a very busy man, having to take up the threads of many things which must be new and strange to him and having to grapple with many problems in these times of stress. His presence here, therefore, is proof of his high endeavours, and selfless devotion to duty and his deep interest in the movement and it is indeed a pleasant task for me to propose this vote of thanks." (Applause).

The meeting then dispersed with the singing of the National Anthem.

LIST OF AWARDS

Assistant Scoutmaster's Warrants
Lee Kam Kong, 5th. Hong Kong Group; Choo Siew Hong, 10th. Hong Kong Group; Fung Kim Sheung, 15th. Hong Kong Group; Lau Tin Chak, 18th. Hong Kong Group; Kong Yet Ching, 3rd. Kowloon Group; Liu Ting Fai, 5th. Kowloon Group; Wong Chee Ming, 15th. Kowloon Group.

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THE JAPANESE POINT OF VIEW

(To the Editor, "The Hong Kong Daily Press")

Dear Sir,—So much has appeared in the press of late in connection with the Sino-Japanese hostilities that it is possible the reasons underlying the conflict have become obscured.

May I, therefore, ask that you be kind enough to publish in your esteemed paper the facts set out hereunder, which help your readers to realise that, much as we deplore the conflict, we hold that the blame is not ours.

Why are Japan and China fighting each other and who began the fighting?

—The view of the Japanese is that she is fighting in order to protect her legitimate rights in China, and further to eradicate the evil elements which have been, and still are, trying to destroy friendly relations between Japan and China. The view of the Chinese is that she wants to drive out the Japanese from China and, if possible, to secure the return of Manchukuo. And again, as to who began the fighting, Japan says that China did. The Chinese troops in Wanping, near Peiping, were deeply hostile to the Japanese garrison forces carrying on manoeuvres around Peiping. They frequently interfered with Japanese troops.

On the night of July 7, this year, some of them went to the length of firing at a section of Japanese soldiers on field exercise. Then the trouble started, in spite of repeated efforts on the part of Japan to settle the matter locally.

One might well ask, has Japan any right to station troops and carry out manoeuvres in China, but the right of Japan to station troops in the Tientsin-Peiping area is clearly recognised in treaties and enjoyed in common with America, Britain, France and Italy. China herself recognised these rights, and the necessity to exercise the right was recognised by all these Powers who still maintain their forces there. The reason being that China is not a safe country to leave their countrymen in, unprotected by armed forces on the spot. One has only to recall the many cases of bandits and pirates looting foreign property, kidnapping and murdering innocent people.

The attempts to settle the incident locally at its early stage, failed because the Chinese never meant to settle. Their leaders were awaiting a chance to fight with Japan, and the rank and file entertained uncontrollable antagonism, the fruit of years of anti-Japanese education and propaganda.

The Chinese Government mobilised forces numbering 500,000 in the North, and massed 200,000 troops in the Shanghai area. Japanese troops were despatched to cope with this situation, and safeguard the lives and property of Japanese nationals, which were in great danger of being wiped out. The action Japan herefore, is not aggressive, but defensive.

Japan may be justified in principle in fighting Chinese troops, but what about the reports of non-combatants being attacked from the air, would be the next point raised by one and all. In reply to this, according to International Law, a garrisoned town is subject to any form of bombardment.

Nanking and Canton are heavily garrisoned and fortified. In its surrounding district each forms the actual centre of military operations for the Chinese troops.

Japanese aviation authorities have consistently issued warnings of impending attacks on military positions, so that civilians may avoid injury from bombs hitting garrison headquarters, aerodromes, arsenals, railway stations facilitating movement of Chinese troops, and artillery and anti-aircraft locations.

Japanese planes have also made a point of flying at low altitude to ensure accuracy in dropping bombs, although thereby they have greatly jeopardised their own safety, inasmuch as both Nanking and Canton are strongly defended by powerful anti-aircraft batteries. Japanese war planes have never wilfully attacked non-combatants.

Concerning the reported attacks upon schools and hospitals, these institutions of learning and humanity were desecrated by Chinese troops who had occupied and fortified the buildings as shields for attack, or as refuges for defence. In this manner, to cite a few out of many examples, were the patriotic Girls' School and the Sunghai Girls' School of Shanghai, and the Nankai University of Tientsin, converted into military establishments.

As regards hospitals, it is the Chinese and not the Japanese who have been making attacks on them. This is clearly substantiated by the example of the Japanese hospital ship, Asahi Maru, which was made the direct target of Chinese bombardments.

The rights and interests of nationals of third Powers are not being wilfully damaged and actually sacrificed in the conflict so far as the Japanese are concerned, as the Japanese commanders have issued statements that the nationals of third Powers would be fully protected, and have ordered their forces to exert every possible care in this regard. It is inevitable, however, that when such property is occupied by, or otherwise used, to the advantage of Chinese troops, it becomes subjected to direct attack.

The stoppage of coastal traffic enforced by the Japanese Navy will not hamper the rightful navigation of the vessels of third Powers, as vessels engaged in peaceful trading are totally exempted from the restrictions and are free to approach the Chinese ports.

Japan is now determined to fight the conflict to the finish. Peace will return only when China brings herself to realise the error of her ways—particularly of her belief that Japan can be driven out of the Asiatic continent by force.

Japan wants the complete abandonment by the Chinese of the notion that Japan is their enemy, and the severance of all ties between China and the communists, either native or foreign, who are working towards the undermining of the traditions and culture of Oriental civilisation.

Yours etc. A Japanese.
Hong Kong, Nov. 29.

MURDER TRIAL AT SESSIONS

Tai Po Crime Recalled

At the Criminal Sessions yesterday, before His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, Tang Ho Leung, together with others not in custody, was charged with the murder of Lei Kam-yin, widow, aged 50, at No. 26 Wai Yan Street, Tai Po Market, on December 27 last.

It will be recalled that at the February Criminal Sessions Wong Fat-chi was charged with the crime and found guilty. He has since paid the supreme penalty.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, appeared for the Crown, and accused was represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, Jnr., instructed by Mr. C. D'Almada, of Messrs. Leo D'Almada and Company.

The jury empanelled for the case were Messrs. J. F. Grose (foreman), H. R. de Pinna, L. E. Rosario, J. L. Litton, Wong Kun-hoing, C. Pfister and C. Leopoldt.

It was upon the disclosures in the previously mentioned case that accused, who had disappeared for a time, was arrested, about a month ago and committed for trial.

Witnesses called yesterday included Dr. J. T. Smalley, Mr. C. A. Grimes, Sgt. H. N. Moran and Wong Wong-chi, another adopted son of the deceased and brother of Wong Fat-chi, who related, in detail, the events leading up to the morning of the murder.

Opening the case for the Crown, Mr. Williams stated that the charge against the accused was that of the murder of Lei Kam-yin, widow, on December 27 last. Counsel then told the jury of the mode of living of the deceased and, with regard to the murder, asked them to bear in mind that the accused had previously threatened to kill, or injure the deceased. Accused was seen leaving Tai Po Market at 4.30 in the

ALLEGED ASSAULT

An alleged assault arising out of a period during which bad blood had existed between complainant and defendant led to the appearance before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday of Ho Sin-lai, 27, tailor, charged with threatening Au Sing-tan, of No. 129 Gloucester Road with a pistol and with breaking his head with it. Mr. Hin-shing Lo prosecuted and Detective Sub-inspector W. N. Durkin was present for the police. The alleged assault is claimed to have taken place outside house No. 114, Gloucester Road on November 14.

After evidence had been taken, His Worship proposed binding both defendants over but Mr. Lo submitted that complainant was in no way to blame, and the case was remanded till 10 a.m. this morning for consideration.

OPIUM CHARGE

Fines totalling \$40 or two months' imprisonment were imposed on a married woman, Lui Yee, by Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Police Court yesterday when she pleaded guilty to the charges of possession of two tael of prepared opium and keeping an opium divan.

morning in question, soon after the murder, it is alleged, and had not been near the premises since. Mr. Williams made a submission to the effect that the jury should find that the accused, with the help of others, had murdered the deceased.

At the request of Mr. d'Almada, Mr. Williams informed the jury that Wong Fat-chi, the adopted son of the deceased, who was arrested a day or two after the murder, was found guilty and convicted. He was later hanged.

After further evidence was given, hearing was adjourned till 10 a.m. to-day.



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Is Heavier Sentence
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WHAT THE LAW PERMITS

"Is a magistrate justified in imposing a heavier penalty on an accused person who pleads 'not guilty' (or who claims trial) and who, upon being tried, is found guilty, than he would have imposed if the accused had tendered a plea of 'guilty' in the first instance?" asks "H.P." in a letter in the current issue of the "Malayan Law Journal."

For example, suppose A and B are together charged on the same facts, say, with theft. A pleads "guilty" and the magistrate fines him \$10, in default sentences him to two weeks' r. l. The other accused, B, however, pleads "not guilty" or "claims trial."

The case against B thereupon proceeds; his defence is heard and the magistrate finds him guilty and imposes a fine of \$20, in default sentences him to four weeks' r. l. Is he justified in so doing?

Would the magistrate, in the circumstances, be right in passing a heavier sentence on B than on A, for the reason that B claimed trial (or pleaded "not guilty") and after trial was found guilty?

The writer is not aware of such an instance occurring in our police court within recent years. It may, however, be within the bounds of possibility for a magistrate to consider it justifiable, in such circumstances, to inflict a heavier sentence on B (in the given example) for "unnecessarily taking up the time of the court" or for some such reason.

FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE

Apres of this question it would be well to remember that the fundamental principle of justice with reference to our criminal law is that an accused person is presumed to be innocent until the contrary be proved. Surely, then, every accused person has a right to claim—irrespective of whether he does or does not consider himself guilty of the charge?

Would the mere fact that he claims trial and thereby takes up the time of the magistrate and of the court, and is eventually found guilty, be a sufficient reason for inflicting upon him a heavier sentence than would have been passed had he pleaded "guilty" in the first instance?

Such a practice, in the circumstances, of passing a light sentence on an accused person who pleads "guilty" having pleaded "not guilty," would surely have a detrimental effect on the morals of the public—particularly the ignorant and uneducated classes, as it would tend to hold out a strong inducement or temptation to innocent persons to plead guilty when by law they are not guilty, and would, furthermore, introduce into the proceedings a most undesirable element of personal feeling which every court of justice must be free from.

The plea of "not guilty" ought never, in any circumstances, to prejudice an accused person. If, after trial on such a plea being tendered, an accused person is charged alone be found guilty he should never receive a heavier sentence than he would have received had he pleaded guilty in the first instance, and if charged along with others for the same offence and on the same facts, he should never receive a heavier sentence than that of his co-accused who may have pleaded guilty in the first instance.

In pleading "not guilty" or in claiming trial an accused person is only exercising his right or privilege conceded to him by the law.

It must always be borne in mind that in a criminal court there is no such thing as a "vexatious" or "frivolous" plea or defence, such a defence is known only in a civil court.

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Women motor-drivers who are to train in readiness for a national emergency are to be taught by Army instructors at Regent's Park Barracks.

This will be part of the training received by members of the Women's Legion, which is to be reorganised.

Lt.-Gen. Sir Travers Clarke, Colonel-in-Chief of the Legion, stated at Londonderry House.

K.C. Chairman's Aim
To Save Seconds

15 SESSIONS CASES IN ONE DAY

Mr. Eustace Fulton, K.C., chairman of the County of London Sessions, Newington, S.E., is establishing a reputation for swift justice there.

Recently, in four and a half hours, he completed 14 cases and one part-heard case.

During the morning he dealt with 11 cases, taking jury cases in the afternoon. The shortest time spent on any in the morning was four minutes; the longest 10. It is true that these were cases up for sentence, but in each the accused had to be put in the dock, his case outlined, with his previous police record, if any, and then the sentence had to follow.

Mr. Fulton sees that not one second is wasted. His clerk of the court co-operates by insisting that a clear way is kept for the passage of witnesses from outside the court. If there is a slight interval between the calling of a witness and his appearance in the box it is felt that something has gone wrong.

GIFT FOR CONDENSATION

There is, of course, no suggestion that the trials are hurried. The cases up for sentence recently had been scrupulously considered at past sittings, but Mr. Fulton has brought to his judicial work the gift for condensation of statement and speed for which he was known at the Bar.

In four minutes he heard the record of an 18-year-old driver's mate charged with six offences covering stealing, receiving, taking and driving away a motor car and stealing and receiving an overcoat. He sent the youth to Borstal for three years.

In seven minutes he heard the record of a 49-year-old contractor charged with stealing 87 sports jackets and other articles, and receiving two sports jackets and other articles, and sent him to hard labour for nine months.

In a case in which Michael Gold, 38, pedlar, described by the police as "a very persistent and cunning pickpocket," had pleaded not guilty to stealing a wallet containing six £1 notes from a man in a bus, and two other charges, the case proceeded as follows:

	Mins.
Evidence of conductor	8
Evidence of constable	2
Evidence of complainant	5
Evidence of police-sergeant	2
Evidence of accused	23
Speech for accused	7
Summing-up by Mr. Fulton	9
Consideration of verdict by jury	1
Statement of police record	1
Counsel's statement for accused	1

Mr. Fulton merely said: "Eighteen months' hard labour." This took 2 minutes, making a total of 61 minutes.

The shortest time taken in the giving of evidence was by a woman witness in another case. She took 30 seconds to identify a glove said to have been stolen.

Compared with these times, the swearing-in of a jury, which took only five minutes, seemed to be a lengthy process.

Mr. Fulton, who was appointed last November, confines himself, when imposing sentence, solely to the imposition of punishment, and refrains from adding condemnation or advice.

Mr. Fulton, who is 56, was in most of the outstanding Old Bailey trials in recent years, and is the son of the late Sir Forrest Fulton, K.C., once Recorder of the City of London.

Park-lane, that the Legion would be placed on a similar basis to that of the Army with three Commands, London, Home Counties and Aldershot, under Commandant Mrs. J. M. Cook.

Mrs. Cook stated that the reorganisation is to include anti-gas training, first-aid, map-reading, navigation, signalling and elementary drills. A proficiency certificate would be granted.

The women would be placed in three branches:

A mobile category consisting of Legionaries willing to serve anywhere, and who could be mobilised immediately.

An immobile category who would serve only in the neighbourhood of their homes; and

An emergency reserve category for nonactive members who would be prepared to be called upon in an emergency.

TRACED "GRAVE" 20 YEARS AFTER

Posers For Experts
At War Museum

The Imperial War Museum, Lambethroad, S.E., discloses in its 19th annual report how it helped an ex-officer to trace the spot where he was buried alive in Flanders.

The officer told officials of the incident at Gheluvelt, Flanders, and asked for the name and position of the trench. Although 20 years had elapsed, experts in the Museum's Map Section showed him air photographs of the position, taken at the time, and supplied all relevant details.

This inquiry is typical of the many received at the Museum and the efficiency with which they are treated. Among subjects dealt with by the library are requests concerning horse, mule, dog and pigeon casualties. Jews in the war, names of merchant ships sabotaged in United States ports, war-time songs, and comparisons of casualties in the Battle of Waterloo and on any one day of the Great War.

COLLECTION OF MEDALS

The Museum has apparently benefited through its removal from South Kensington to Lambeth in November, 1935. The average daily attendance in 1936 was 1,052—against 947 in 1935—and on Sundays 2,222, compared with 1,850.

Following complaints that the new building was insufficiently marked, the name has now been set up in bold lettering on the facade and on the railing surrounding the park.

Another advantage in moving from the "museum area" is that visitors, including many school parties, now arrive with the specific intention of seeing war records, and not merely one museum among many.

Among new acquisitions is the collection of 1,030 commemorative medals from various countries, the greater proportion from Germany. Among them is a group of German medals intercepted by the Postal Censor during the war and presented to King George V.



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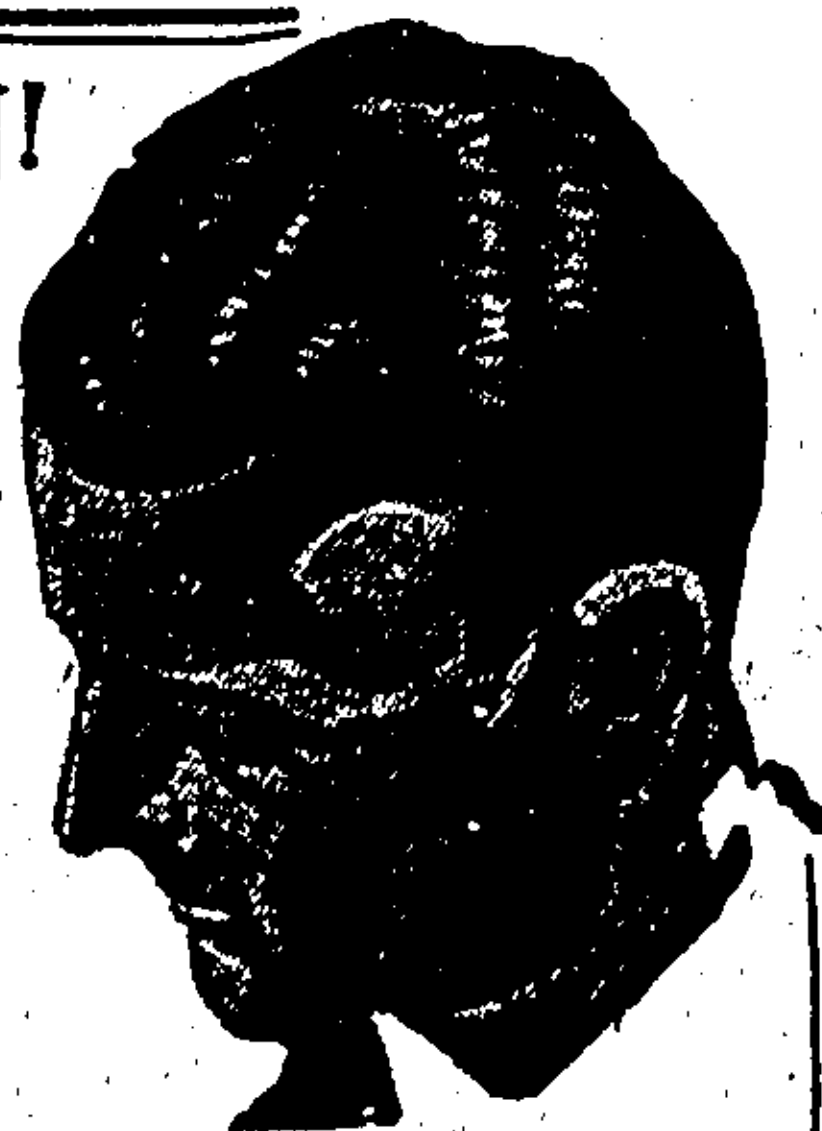
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12.42 p.m. Scottish Music.
Savoy Scottish Medley (arr. De-broy Somers)—New Mayfair Orch. MacGregor's Gathering; Annie Laurie (Traditional—arr. Batten).—Heddie Nash and Male Quartette. Schellhallion Eightsome Reel.—Meredith-Kay and his Orchestra.
1 p.m. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.05 p.m. Light Orchestral.
Summer Days—Suite (Eric Coates)—Light Symphony Orchestra cond. the Composer. Molly on the Shore; Shepherd's Hey (Graham).—Royal Opera Orchestra, Covent Garden. Cond.: Lawrence Collingwood. Midnight Rose (F. D'Erlanger).—Symphony Orchestra cond.: John Barbirolli. Turkey in the Straw (Quon)—New Light Symphony Orchestra.

1.30 p.m. Reuter and Rugby Press; Local Weather Report and Announcements.

1.40 p.m. Musical Comedy.
"Home and Beauty" (C. B. Cochran's Coronation Revue)—Marga Neeld, Janet Lind and Webster Booth; "Bitter Sweet"—Selection (Coward)—Jack Hylton and his Orchestra.

1.58 p.m. Band Music.
Songs of Scotland (arr. Duthoit).—The Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards. Eightsome Reel; Highland Schottische.—Pipes and Drums of the 2nd Batt.—Scots Guards. Royal Cavalcade (Coronation March—Ketelbey); Coronation Bells—March (Partridge).—The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
2.15 p.m. Close down.

4 to 7 p.m. Chinese programme.
7 p.m. Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—A. Sailboat in the Moonlight; Love is Good for Anything That All You (film "The Hit Parade").—Orlando and his Orchestra. A Little Love, A Little Kiss; Body and Soul.—Quintette of the Hot Club of France. Tangos—Land of Magic; Lamento!—Heinz Huppertz and his Orchestra. Fox-Trots—They Can't Take That Away From Me; Let's Call the Whole Thing Off (film "Shall We Dance").—Roy Fox and his Orchestra. Waltzes—Brigitte (Moretti); Cuckoo Waltz (Jonasson).—Dajos Bela Dance Orchestra.

7.30 p.m. Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.

7.35 p.m. Scottish Variety Programme.
Dumbarton's Drums (Bantock); The Laird O' Cockpen (Robertson).—Glasgow Orpheus Choir. Melodies of Robert Burns.—Light Opera Co. Young Laird's Toast of Robert Burns.—William McCulloch (Humorous Monologue). It's A' Roon Th' Toon (Lauder).—Sir Harry Lauder.

8 p.m. Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m. Scottish Ballads.

Annie Laurie (Traditional—arr. J. A. Murray); Will Ye No Come Back Again (Baroness Mairne, arr. Scott-Wood).—Sydney MacEwan (Tenor). My Ain Folk (Lemon, Mills).—Mary Kay (Contralto); Ye Banks and Braes (arr. Murray); The Road to the Isles (MacLeod-Kennedy-Fraser).—Sydney MacEwan (Tenor). Comin' Thro' The Rye (Traditional); The Bonnie Bonnie Banks O' Loch Lomond (Traditional).—Dora Labbette (Soprano). Skye Boat Song (Traditional arr. Malcolm Lawson); Sound the Pibroch (Traditional, arr. J. K. Lees).—Alexander MacGregor (Baritone).

8.30 p.m. Studio—Pipe Major D. R. MacLennan, 1st Bn. the Seaforth Highlanders.

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8.50 p.m. Orchestral.
Norwegian Rhapsody (Lalo).—Orchestre Symphonique de Paris.
9 p.m. London Relay—Scottish Dance Music—George Davie's Sextet.

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9.30 p.m. London Relay—The News.

9.50 p.m. Variety.

Novelty—Top Liners of Variety.—Jack Hylton and his Orchestra, Florence Desmond, Sir Harry Lauder, Gracie Fields, Clarice Mayne, Paul Robeson, Cicely Courtneidge and Roy Fox and his Orch. Compered by John Watt. Humorous Sketch—Mrs. Montgomerie's Wee Shop.—William McCulloch. Orchestral—"This'll Make You Whistle" Selection.—Louis Levy and his Gaumont British Symphony. Piano-Accordeon Band—The Whistling Waltz (film "Limelight").—London Piano-Accordeon Band.

10.15 p.m. London Relay—A Scots Concert—Jean Hastings (Soprano) and Annie Tait (Contralto).

The Auld Hoose (arr. Moffat); Cam' ye by Atholl (Mansfield).—Jean Hastings. The Queen's Maries (arr. MacPherson); Callie Merrin (arr. Moffat)—Annie Tait. Lang Lang Syne (Angels); We're A' Noddy (arr. Moffat); The Carles o' Dysart (arr. Hugh S. Robertson).—Jean Hastings. In Praise of Islay (arr. Moffat); We'd Better Bide a Wee (Claribel); The Bonnie Earl o' Moray (arr. Moffat)—Annie Tait.
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4.15 p.m. Big Ben. Recital by Esther Fisher (New Zealand Pianist). 4.35 p.m. "Palace of Varieties." 5.35 p.m. The News and Announcements. 5.55 p.m. "Empire Exchange." Points of view by travellers from the Dominions and the Colonies. 6.10 p.m. Recital of Scots Songs. Jean Gibson (Soprano) and Alexander Carmichael (Baritone). 6.25 p.m. Close down.

Trans. II (G.S.H., G.S.G., G.S.B.).
6.45 p.m. Big Ben. "Swift Serenade." The Swift Serenade Concert Orchestra. The singer: Bell Walker; the speaker: David Porter. Concert arrangements by Ray Terry. 7.15 p.m. Jack Payne with his Band. 8.15 p.m. "All in Pink." An Empire revue by Lauri Wyllie. Lyrics and music by various authors and composers. Production by William MacLurg. 9 p.m. Scottish Dance Music. George Davie's Sextet. 9.30 p.m. The News and Announcements. 9.55 p.m. Close down.

Trans. III (G.S.H., G.S.P., G.S.B.).
10.15 p.m. Big Ben. Scots Concert. Jean Hastings (Soprano) and Annie Tait (Contralto). 10.45 p.m. "Gettin' Ready for Christmas." A talk by Howard Marshall. 10.55 p.m. Fred Hartley and his Sextet, with Cyril Grantham. 11.25 p.m. "A Wisp of Lace." by Vivien Lambellet. A play with music. 12 midnight. The News and Announcements. 12.20 a.m. "Keyboard Music through the Ages." Liszt (1811-1886). Stephen. 12.45 p.m. "World Affairs." A talk by H. Wickham Steed. 1 a.m. Close down.

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12.35 p.m. "At Home and Abroad"—"The Watchman." 12.50 p.m. Musical Interlude. 1 p.m. Time Signal. Victorian News Bulletin. 1.05 p.m. Interstate Weather Notes, etc. 1.15 p.m. Stock Exchange Report. 1.20 p.m. Luncheon Music. 2 p.m. Recorded Music. 3 p.m. Time signal. Broadcast to schools—"Music Appreciation for Junior Classes." 3.20 p.m. Afternoon Musical Programme. Progress scores of the Cricket Match—Victoria v. West Australia, will be given as they come to hand. 5.15 p.m. Close. 6.30 p.m. Chimes. Fifteen Minutes of Popular Music. 6.45 p.m. Sporting News and Notes. 7 p.m. News in French for listeners in New Hebrides. 7.20 p.m. National News Bulletin. 7.30 p.m. Queensland and North Australian News Bulletin. 7.40 p.m. News, markets and weather for North Australia. 8 p.m. Sir Richard Terry, conducting the A.B.C. Radio Choir. 9 p.m. "Young Australia." 9.15 p.m. "St. Andrew's Day Play—"James I. of Scotland." 10.30 p.m. Australasian News Service. 10.50 p.m. Dance music, by Jim Davidson's A.B.C. Dance Band. 11.30 p.m. Close.

PARIS

Call-letters of the Station:—Wavelength: 19.68 metres T P A 2. Wavelength: 25.24 metres T P A 3. Wavelength: 25.60 metres T P A 4. Wavelength: 25.24 m.—11.835 Kc.
7 a.m. Radio-Journal of France (French News). 7.20 a.m. Gramophone Records. 7.30 a.m. Leading Press Articles. 7.45 a.m. Gramophone Records. 8.15 a.m. Talk on French Events. 8.30 a.m. Gramophone Records. 9 a.m. News in French. 9.30 a.m. News in English. 9.40 a.m. News in Italian. 9.50 a.m. Gramophone Records. 10 a.m. Close Down.

Wavelength: 19.68 m.—15.243 Kc.
11 a.m. Gramophone Records. 11.45 a.m. Talk on French Events in Japanese. 12 noon. News in English. 12.15 p.m. Concert Relay from Lyons. 12.45 p.m. Gramophone Records. 1 p.m. Concert Relay from Limoges. 1.30 p.m. News in French. Colonial Market Prices. 2 p.m. Talk on Music by Mr. Charles Oulmont. 2.10 p.m. Social Topics by Mr. Paul Rives. 2.20 p.m. Gramophone Records. 2.30 p.m. The Chain, a Play in Three Acts by Steve Passeur. 3.55 p.m. Rates of Exchange and French Stock (Renties). 4 p.m. Close Down.

Wavelength: 25.24 m.—11.835 Kc.
5.15 p.m. News in French. Market Prices, Rates of Exchange. 5.45 p.m. News in Arabic. 6 p.m. Concert Relay from Lyons. 6.30 a.m. Gramophone Records. 6.50 Maritime Talk by Mr. Bretagne. 7 a.m. Relay of Radio-Journal of France (French News). 7.30 p.m. News in French. Rates of Exchange. 8.10 p.m. News in English. 8.20 p.m. News in Italian. 8.30 p.m. Relay. 10.30 p.m. Colonial Market Prices. 10.45 p.m. News in Portuguese. 11 p.m. Close Down.

Wavelength: 25.60 m.—11.726 Kc.
11.15 p.m. Gramophone Records. 12.15 a.m. News in French, Market Prices, Rates of Exchange. 12.40 a.m. News in Spanish. 12.50 News in Portuguese. 1 a.m. Gramophone Records. 1.15 a.m. Close Down. 3 p.m. Gramophone Records. 4 a.m. News in French, Market Prices, Rates of Exchange. 4.30 a.m. News in English. 4.45 a.m. Gramophone Records. 5.45 a.m. News in German. 6 a.m. Close Down.

BERLIN

D.J.A. 31.33m. (95.60 k.c.)
D.J.B. 19.74m. (15.200 k.c.)
D.J.E. 16.89m. (17.160 k.c.)
D.J.N. 31.45m. (95.40 k.c.)
D.J.Q. 19.63m. (15.230 k.c.)

1.05 p.m. Call (German, English). German Folk Song. 1.10 p.m. Merry Music Making. 2 p.m. News in German. 2.15 p.m. Merry Music Making (continued). 2.50 p.m. Greetings to our listeners in New Zealand. 3 p.m. News and Economic Review in English. 3.15 p.m. To-day in Germany. Sound Pictures. 3.30 p.m. The Beautiful Galathea. Operetta by Franz v. Suppe. Direction: Lydia Blinder musical direction: Walter Sieber. 4.45 p.m. Indian Music. Played by the Menaka Hindu Ballet Orchestra. 5.15 p.m. Brass Band. 5.30 p.m. News and Economic Review in German. 5.45 p.m. People's Art Exhibitions. 6 p.m. Melodies from old and new operettas. 7 p.m. Concert of Light Music. 8 p.m. News in English. 8.15 p.m. Concert of Light Music (cont.). 8.50 p.m. Greetings to our listeners in the Netherlands East Indies. 9 p.m. News and Economic Review in German. 9.15 p.m. Gay music. 9.30 p.m. Solo Concert: Siegfried Grunfels, piano. 10 p.m. News and Economic Review in English and Dutch. 10.15 p.m. To-day in Germany. Sound Pictures. 10.30 p.m. Club of Nations. 11.45 p.m. People's Art Exhibitions. Midnight. Sign off (German, English).

HOLLAND-INDIA

Call letters: PCJ. Wavelengths 19.71 m. and 31.28 m.; Frequencies 15220kc. and 9590kc.

Wavelength 16.88 m.
Phonogram for the Netherlands Indies.
13.25 National anthem and opening-announcement.
13.30 Stock Reports.
13.40 Actualities.
14.00 "Spiritual Trends." "Spiritualists."
14.20 "A song goes round the world."
14.50 Daily News Bulletin.
15.00 Close down and national anthem.

HEALTH RETURNS

Four cases of dysentery and one of diphtheria were reported to the Health Authorities for the 48 hours ended at midnight on Sunday.

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TRAINING THE NAVY OF THE FUTURE

New Scheme For
Boy Seamen

Owing to the great influx of boy seamen into the Navy, arising out of the Government rearmament plan, existing facilities for the further training of these entries after they have passed out of the shore establishments are proving inadequate, writes Hector C. Bywater. "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" Naval Correspondent.

Hitherto, boys from the Impregnable, Devonport, St. Vincent, Portsmouth, Ganges, Shotley, and Caledonia, Rosyth, have been drafted to battleships of the Royal Sovereign class in the Home Fleet. At present the Ramillies and Revenge have each about 300 boys on board. However keen these boys may be, their youth and incomplete training disqualify them from the duties of trained seamen, and their presence therefore tends to impair the fighting efficiency of the battleships.

To ease the situation, a new scheme has, I learn, been approved by the Admiralty and will shortly come into operation. Vessels of the Reserve Fleet are to serve as overflow ships, and while boys will continue to be drafted to selected battleships of the Home Fleet, a greater number will be sent to the Reserve Fleet units which have been allocated to this duty.

These are:
The cruiser Calcutta, at Chatham.
The cruiser Dunedin, at Portsmouth, and.
The aircraft-carrier Hermes, at Devonport.
The latter is to be replaced by a cruiser as soon as one becomes available.

TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENT

Boys drafted to these ships will be given three months' training in general duties, including seamanship, signalling, gunnery, &c., and will also become familiar with man-of-war routine. This training will be carried out in harbour, as it is not proposed that the overflow ships shall be sent to sea for the time being.

On completing the three-months' course boys will be drafted to sea-going ships of the Fleet by which time they should be sufficiently trained to serve as useful members of the ship's company.

I understand that the new scheme is a temporary arrangement only, designed to cope with the situation created by the exceptionally large volume of new naval entries. Eventually it may be possible to organise a special sea-going training squadron which would make periodical cruises in home waters.

TRIPLITS FOR LIONESSES

Three cubs—all females—have been born to Patricia, five-year-old Abyssinian lioness at the London Zoo.

QUEEN'S

DAILY AT 2.30-5.15-7.20 & 9.30 TEL. 3453

FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY

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TO-MORROW Thrills ... Action ... Romance!
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TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

Hong Kong

KING'S:—
"Vogues of 1938"

QUEEN'S:—
"Souls at Sea"

ORIENTAL:—
"A Star Is Born"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:—
"The Road Back"

STAR:—
"The King and The Chorus Girl"

MAJESTIC:—
"Camille"

Coming

KING'S:—
"Dark Hazard"

QUEEN'S:—
"Flight From Glory"

ORIENTAL:—
"The 13th Chair"

ALHAMBRA:—
"Trouble At Midnight"

STAR:—
"Brewsters' Millions"

MAJESTIC:—
"365 Nights In Hollywood"

SOULS AT SEA

"Souls at Sea" is the motion picture treatment of the famous trial of "Nugget" Taylor, sea captain of the '40's, who assumed command of the brig "William Brown" when that ship caught fire in mid-Atlantic shortly after her master died. Taylor is played by Gary Cooper, who 'hardly performed as well in any of his long string of credible adventure stories—possibly because he was re-enacting a story from history's pages for the first time.

The "William Brown" was equipped with only two life boats and Taylor realized that he could never bring the entire ship's company to safety in the frail craft. He included himself among the survivors not because he wanted to save his life, he later told an admiralty court, but because he knew he was the only one who could bring the life boats safely through to land.

There followed a trial which is now epic among sea trials. Taylor was accused of manslaughter on the high seas not only by most of the survivors, but what hurt most, by his sweetheart, played by beautiful Frances Dee.

George Raft, Henry Wilcoxon, Harry Carey, Olympe Bradna, Robert Cummings, and Porter Hall are in the supporting cast.

"Souls at Sea" has its run at the Queen's Theatre to-day.

VOGUES OF 1938

Something breath-takingly new in screen entertainment is at the King's Theatre to-day. It is "Walter Wanger's Vogues of 1938."

In preparation for many months, and representing a staggering investment, the film offers screen audiences a preview of next year's vogues in fashions, fun, girls, music, dances and technical colour.

This gay musical stars Warner Baxter and Joan Bennett at the head of an imposing cast including Helen Vinson, Misha Auer, Alan Mowbray, Jerome Cowan, Marjorie Gatenon, Dorothy McNulty, Alma Kruger, Polly Rowles, and the Walter Wanger Models—"the most photographed girls in the world"—whose beauty and shapeliness the producer has framed in style creations from three famous designers, and furs and jewels valued at \$1,000,000.

THE LADY OF THE CAMELLIAS

Research has unearthed at last the actual spot where the "love cottage" of Alexandre Dumas (fils) and Marie Duplessis once stood. Marie Duplessis was the inspiration for Dumas' immortal "The Lady of the Camellias," based on a real life romance which Garbo and Robert Taylor bring to the screen in "Camille," opening to-day at the Majestic Theatre.

TWO MONTHS UNCONSCIOUS

Mrs. Ivy Ida Smith, of Manorway, North Harrow, who fell 80ft. from the roof of an Oxford-street store on August 12, is still lying unconscious in a darkened room in Middlesex Hospital.

£70,000 FOR RELIEF IN CHINA

Sir A. Stanley And Lord Mayor's Fund

Sir Arthur Stanley, chairman of the executive committee, presiding at a meeting of the British Red Cross Society, held at the headquarters of the society, Grosvenor Crescent, S.W.1, stated that the result of the Lord Mayor of London's appeal for the relief of distress in China was to date about £70,000, as well as contributions in kind such as blankets and clothing. £15,000 in cash had been remitted to the Ambassador's Committee in China. £20,000 had been spent on drugs, instruments, &c., and £2,000 had been allocated for the purchase of blankets, clothing, &c. Premises in London had been placed at the disposal of the fund, rent free, for use by its various committees and sub-committees.

Reporting on the society's contribution to the work of the International Red Cross Committee in Spain, Sir Arthur Stanley said that the Director-General (Sir Harold Fawcett), on his recent visit to Geneva, had been much impressed by the excellent organization and work of the International Red Cross in Spain.

The following have accepted the office of president of certain of the society's branches, subject to the approval of their appointment by the Queen:—

Lady Caldecott, Ceylon Central Council.

The Duchess of Beaufort City and County of Bristol.

Lady Alice Fergusson, Ayrshire.

Mrs. Hog, West Lothian.

Sir Beckwith Whitehouse, Birmingham.

In the absence of the Princess Royal, Commandant-in-Chief, a report on the V.A.D. detachments of the society was made by Dame Beryl Oliver, who stated that 800 officers and members had passed through the National V.A.D. Training Camp held at Northwood Park, Winchester, from May 21 to June 11, 1937. The camp was inspected by General Sir Walter Kirtle, Director-General of the Territorial Army, who expressed great satisfaction with the work done. Dame Beryl Oliver also stated that nearly 14,000 cases were treated at the dispensaries for hop-pickers organized by the County of London Branch and Kent Branch, and that Territorial Army camp hospitals had been organized and staffed by the detachments from 13 counties.

AIRMAN'S FALL FROM ROOF

Lost Balance When Fixing Aerial

A verdict of accidental death was returned at the inquest at Paddington on Cmdr. Spencer Douglas Adair Grey, 47, who was killed on Friday by falling from the roof of a nine-storey block of flats in Edgware-road, W., while fixing a wireless aerial.

Cmdr. Grey, who was a pioneer in naval aviation, survived several crashes during the war. He was awarded the D.S.O. for his exploits, which included the bombing of Cologne. He was invalided out of the Service.

Mrs. Florence Mercedes Grey stated at the inquest that her husband broke his back during the war, and he could not keep his balance without a walking-stick.

On the evening in question they dined with friends, Mr. and Mrs. Graham Lloyd, in the same block of flats in which they lived. Afterwards her husband said that he was going on to the roof to fix the wireless aerial.

"DEIDEDLY SOBER"

"Mr. Lloyd went with him," said Mrs. Grey, "and a little later came down and said that my husband wanted some aerial wire. I looked out of the window for the old aerial, and saw him lying on the pavement."

Mrs. Grey said that her husband was "most decidedly sober" when he went on the roof.

Mr. Graham Lloyd agreed with a suggestion by the coroner, Mr. Ingleby Oddie, that Cmdr. Grey might have looked over the parapet to see if he were below. Mr. Lloyd said it was very dark on the roof.

Det.-Insp. L. Stevenson stated that the height of the roof parapet from the pavement was 94 feet. At the seventh floor was a coping

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30.

Anniversaries and Holidays.
Andrew's Day. Governor John Eyre died, 1901.

Auctions.—Leasehold Properties, at Lammer's Sales Room, 3 p.m.
Mails.—Christmas Letter Mail for Canada and U.S.A. and Parcel Mail for U.S.A. close at G.P.O. & K.K.O. per Pres. Tat (Reg. 5 p.m., Ord 5.30 p.m.; parcels (U.S.A. only) 5 p.m.

Meetings.—Kowloon Chess Club, at St. Andrew's Hall, 5.30 p.m.; Final of Creditors of Tsang Foo & Co. Ltd., at 26 Des Voeux Road, 2nd floor, noon; Mothers' Union, in Cathedral Hall, 3 p.m.; St. Andrew's Mothers' Union, 3 p.m.

Miscellaneous.—Rotary Tiffin, Hong Kong Hotel; Chinese Art Exhibition at China Bldg., from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Moon.—X Moon, 28th Day.
Religious.—Consecration Ceremony of the Most Reverend Adolph John Paschang, in Mission House Chapel at Stanley, 8.30 a.m.

Social.—Craigengower Cricket Club Weekly Tombola, 9.20 p.m.; Cheero Club Mah Jong, 8 p.m.

Sports.—(See Page 10).

Sunrise.—6.45 a.m. Sunset.—5.39 p.m.

Tides.—High at 08.23 and 19.47. Low at 01.59 and 12.55.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1

Mails.—(See Page 16).

Moon.—X Moon, 29th Day.

Sports.—(See Page 10).

Sunrise.—6.45 a.m. Sunset.—5.38 p.m.

Tides.—High at 07.20 and 19.15. Low at 01.15 and 12.18.

EMIGRATION DRIVE FOR DOMINIONS

Committee Set Up Fund Opened

Schemes to populate the Dominions' vacant areas with people from England were started recently by the National Empire Migration and Development Conference. At its concluding session at the City of London Guildhall it appointed a committee, pending the establishment by the Government of a statutory authority, to examine and report on concrete plans.

It comprises Mr. C. G. Ammon, M.P. Viscount Bledisloe, Sir Patrick Hannon, M.P., the Earl of Mansfield, Mr. Henderson Stewart, M.P., A. Somerville, M.P., and Mr. H. B. Briggs, Gen. J. J. H. Nation, Mr. A. Donaldson.

The Earl of Mansfield, one of the leaders of the Imperial Policy Group, moving the resolution, said: "Various nations and races recognise no law save that of force, some of them having justifiable claims to be allowed to expand somewhere."

"If we leave territories almost denuded of inhabitants it will be difficult to resist the ethical claim that we should make available to other land-hungry nations some of these territories."

Brig-Gen M. L. Hornby, second-in-command, said: "If the Dominions Secretary, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, would exercise his powers under the Empire Settlement Act organised migration, with adequately financed and properly supervised settlement, could be resumed immediately."

"It is untrue that the people of this country have no ambition to migrate to the Dominions. There is no road open by which any man, however ambitious, can go to the Dominions to-day unless he has £200 to take with him."

EVACUATION AT AN END

Paris, Nov. 28.

Reports from Madrid in the "Petit Journal" state that the evacuation of the civil population from Madrid has come to an end by a decree issued there. The reason given is that the decision is connected with the campaign against the Nationalists, but reports state that the real reason is two-fold: There is not enough motor fuel to guarantee transport and the civil population does not want to leave.

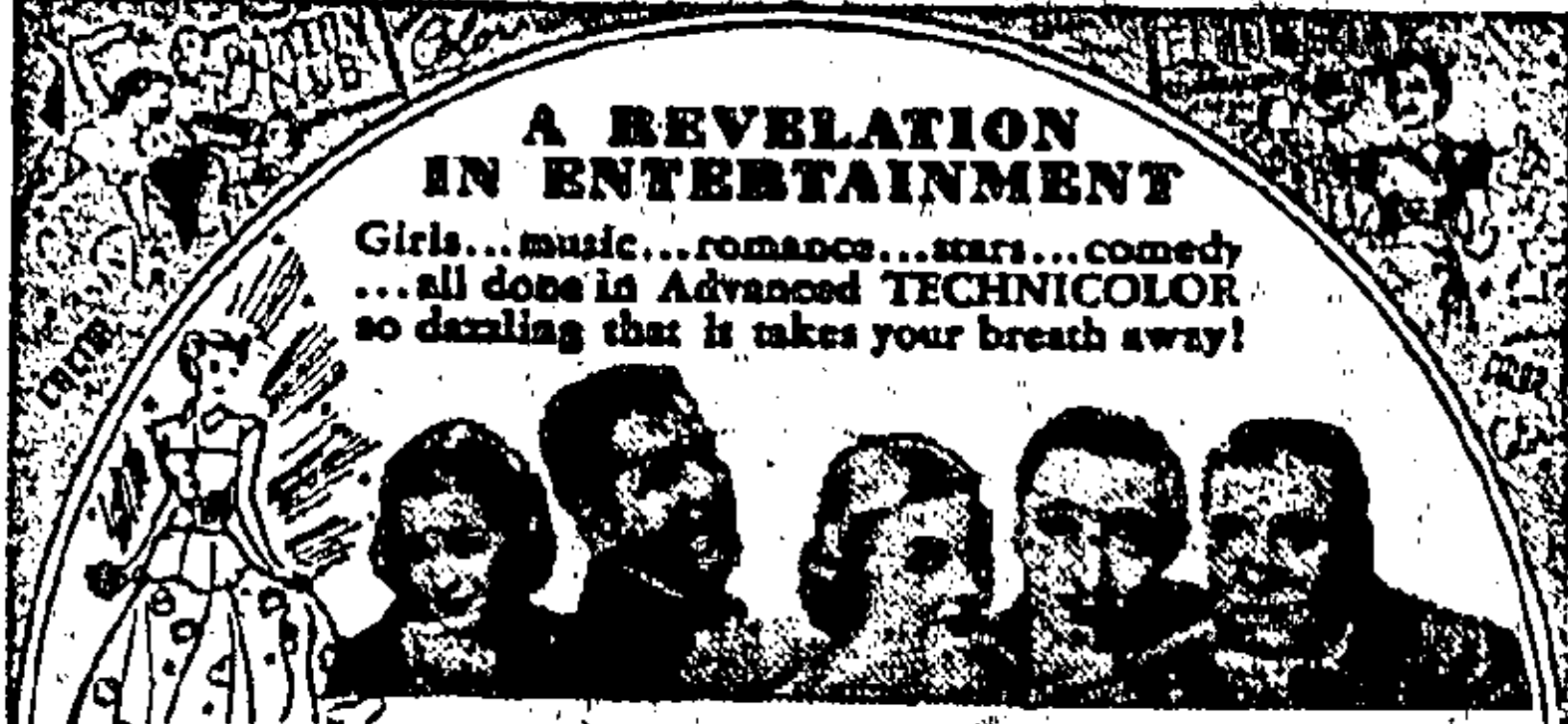
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which would prevent anyone seeing the pavement.

The coroner said that the inference was that Cmdr. Grey lost his balance while standing near the edge of the roof and fell over.

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TO-DAY & TO-MORROW
THE MIGHTY SEQUEL TO 'ALL QUIET ON THE WESTERN FRONT'

ROAD BACK

THURSDAY
New Universal Picture
"ROUBLE AT MIDNIGHT"
Noah Berry, Jr., Larry Blake, Cathie Hughes

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RETURN OF AN "OLD FAVOURITE"

"365 NIGHTS IN HOLLYWOOD"

A FOX PICTURE

BLOCKADE OF MEDITERRANEAN PORTS

Salamanca, Nov. 28.

"In view of the rigorous execution of the Nationalist blockade of the Spanish Mediterranean ports still in possession of the Republicans, no foreign ships are

allowed to call at these harbours or at the Isle of Minorca," declares a decree issued to all foreign shipping by the Nationalist Spanish Naval Command. At the same time it is declared that the neutral zone at Valencia and Barcelona, which had hitherto been respected, is now at an end. Ships entering these ports from now on are liable to be fired at without warning.

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NO PROHIBITION OF ORGANISATIONS

Basle, Nov. 28.

In the plebiscite to-day, Switzerland voted against dissolving organisations like the Freemasons and similar ones. The motion was supported by 234,000 votes and rejected 515,000.

Twenty-one cantons rejected the motion and only one, namely the Canton de Freiburg, passed votes in favour of the prohibition of such organisations.

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25 YEARS AS COXSAIN

Capt. Evan Wright has retired after 25 years' service as coxswain and 45 years' total service with the Fwihell lifeboat.

He had distinguished himself in rescuing crews of sailing ships which drifted on the treacherous St. Patrick sandbank and St. Tudwall's Rocks in Cardigan Bay. He displayed conspicuous gallantry several times in taking provisions to Bardsey Islanders who were cut off from the mainland by stormy weather.

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ANGLO-FRENCH
TALKSRome-Berlin Axis and
Far East Crisis to
be Considered

London, Nov. 28.

One of the main points in the
forthcoming Anglo-French discus-
sions, to which British circles
attach capital importance, will be
an endeavour to bring the Berlin-
Rome axis nearer harmony with
the Franco-British relationship.The highest authorities em-
phasise that the meeting will not
be the occasion for announcing
any change in the fundamentals of
British policy, nor will the French
be asked to amend their policy,
as for example that which affects
the Franco-Soviet Pact. London
is gratified that Germany well
understands the reasons for the
Franco-British meeting, and as
Britain does not desire to influence
the Rome-Berlin axis, so Germany
is not attempting to modify
the Franco-British special re-
lationship.In endeavouring to lessen the
gulf between the two sections
there is no question of acting at
the expense of any party. Such
a scheme was never suggested, nor
would the British entertain it.
Germany has not advanced the
claim for a plebiscite in Austria,
nor the modification of the regime
in Czechoslovakia.

COLONIAL PROBLEM

Notable Anglo-German divergen-
cies exist, for example, in regard
to colonial problems. Britain
acknowledges the colonial prob-
lem, but considers it concerns
France, Belgium and the three
British Dominions as well as her-
self. The question will be included
in the Anglo-French talks.The Anglo-French talks would
be necessary apart from Lord
Halifax's trip to Germany and
they will provide opportunity
to examine other important ques-
tions, like the Spanish situation,
which is considered in London to
be less acute than at any time for
eighteen months, notably because
there is less enthusiasm for inter-
vention. But it is a mistake to
think the war will end soon, and
so long as it lasts, Spain and the
Mediterranean offer problems de-
manding Franco-British consulta-
tion.

FAR EAST POSITION

The second important subject
is the Far East, where great in-
terests are involved and the posi-
tion is serious. Britain and France
are directly involved through the
International Settlement and
French Concession in Shanghai,
and the colonies of Hong Kong and
Indo-China, which should provide
a common basis for an examina-
tion of the problem.Broadly speaking, the British aim
will be to work closely with the
United States for representations
on similar lines to those already
made to Tokyo by France, United
States and Britain.Mr. Anthony Eden and Mr.
Neville Chamberlain are having a
preliminary talk to-night about
the week's programme of talks,
at which Lord Halifax will be a
frequent participator.

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FRENCH PREMIER LEAVES
FOR LONDON

Paris, Nov. 28.

M. Camille Chautemps, the
French Prime Minister, and M.
Yvon Delbos, the Foreign Minister,
left here this afternoon for Lon-
don. They were accompanied by
Secretary-General to the Quai
d'Orsay, M. Massig, Director-Gen-
eral of the political and economic
section of the Foreign Office.London, Nov. 29.
M. Chautemps and M. Delbos
arrived here a little after 11 p.m.

Reuter.

"RICE PATROL"

Shanghai, Nov. 29.

An innovation has been intro-
duced here by the Salvation Army,
as a new method of refugee relief
work, by a "rice patrol" which is
carried out by a special bus loaded
with steaming rice, kept hot in
wooden buckets.The patrol makes nightly rounds
in the streets where the refugees
live, and hand out the rice in
special paper bags. The patrol
serves the double purpose of feed-
ing the refugees and also discover-
ing the numbers of homeless for
whom the Salvation Army hopes
eventually to make accommoda-
tion arrangements in the refugee
camps.

Reuter.

JAPANESE PUSH
INTO ANHWEIThird Province To Be
Involved In

Shanghai, Nov. 29.

Japanese military operations on
the Yangtze Delta have extended
to the third province to-day, 108
days since the start of the
Shanghai War, when forces strik-
ing out towards Wuhu crossed the
Chekiang border into Anhwei.
Their immediate objective is
Kwangteh, 85 miles from Wuhu.
Meanwhile, according to an
official communique, the Japanese
Vanguard is pressing on to Nan-
king, and is steadily approaching
Changchow, 70 miles from Nan-
king.

Reuter.

DRIVE TO CHUNGTEH

Kinchwa, Chekiang, Nov. 29:
Heavy Chinese reinforcements
are massing at the new mar-
ket at Chungteh, important
town about 25 miles north-
east of Hangchow, north of the
railway, where they are preparing
to make a determined stand, to
check the Japanese who are re-
ported to be advancing westwards
from the bay region into routes,
according to information from the
front.Japanese plainclothes men ap-
peared in the vicinity of Tangchi
yesterday but have been dispersed.It is officially revealed to-day on
November 27 and 28 the Chinese
and Japanese forces were locked
in a furious battle at Maohsiho
and Maohsihiao where the in-
vaders suffered heavy casualties.
Under cover of artillery fire, 1,000
Japanese succeeded in penetrating
the Chinese positions at Shihmen-
wan near Chungteh. For strate-
gical reasons the Chinese troops
withdrew to the new market area
where they are preparing to
launch a counter-offensive on the
invaders.

Central News.

HANKOW ACTIVE
AGAIN

Hankow, Nov. 29.

The temporary transfer of
China's capital to Hankow has
roused this city from the idleness
which the utter lack of business,
due to the hostilities had imposed
upon it. Hankow, for the second
time since 1926, has once again be-
come the centre of world attention
during a great national crisis in
China.The streets, that had been prac-
tically deserted for weeks past, are
now crowded by endless refugee
swarms disembarking from steam-
ers from Nanking. Hotels and
boarding houses are overcrowded,
and refugee camps are established
in schools and large halls, in order
to provide at least temporary
shelter. Steamers that arrive daily
from Nanking are overcrowded to
three times their normal capacity,
but all inconveniences are gladly
accepted, as the belief is that to
remain in Nanking means death.
Saloons, deck-space and cargo-holds
are packed to capacity.Traffic in Hankow is totally dis-
organised.
Officials of the Chinese Govern-
ment are arriving by the hundred
daily, and of the 110 German re-
fugees from Nanking, half are ac-
commodated in private quarters
and half remain on the "Refugee
Ship."Of the 500 Europeans who con-
stituted the foreign community of
Nanking, and the one million Chi-
nese, 50 Europeans are now left, and
about 100,000 Chinese.

Transocean.

BASE HOSPITAL AT HANKOW

Hankow, Nov. 29: To take care
the increasing number of Chinese
wounded soldiers a base hospital
will be established at Hankow.Preparations for the new hospital
were discussed to-day at a confer-
ence between General Chu Ching-
lan, Chairman of the National
Famine Relief Commission, Mr.
Chiao I-tang, member of the
Kuomintang Central Executive
Committee and President of the
National Institute of Native
Physicians, and representatives of
other philanthropic and medical
bodies.

Central News.

OPIMUM SUPPRESSION
PROGRESSES IN
NORTHWESTSian, Nov. 29: Opium suppres-
sion in Suiyuan, Kansu, Ninghsia
and Shensi has been carried out
smoothly, according to Mr. Keh
Chien-shih, head of the delegation
for the inspection of opium sup-
pression in the Northwest, who
arrived here recently after a tour
in the northwestern provinces.

Central News.

JAPANESE CLAIM
ON CUSTOMSForeign Protests
ResentedWalk-Out Follows Taking
Over of Telegraphs

Shanghai, Nov. 28.

A representative of the Japanese
Embassy, addressing European
pressmen to-day, took exception to
the remonstrances raised by
several foreign Powers at the
Japanese claim to administer the
Shanghai Customs.The Embassy official said that
the Japanese would gladly take in-
to account foreign interests in
connection with the pledged cus-
toms receipts to assure payment of
the Chinese debt service, but that
it must not be overlooked that the
Customs Administration was an
organ of the Chinese Government.
In the negotiations about placing
the Customs administration into
Japanese hands, only China and
Japan were primarily interested.
The question of safeguarding
international loans could only be
considered as a secondary mat-
ter.

Transocean News Service.

NONE COULD OBJECT!

Shanghai, Nov. 29.

Questioned about Anglo-Ameri-
can representations regarding the
Chinese Customs, a Japanese
Embassy spokesman said that the
steps being taken by the Japanese
constituted only the first phase,
namely the assumption of control.
Insofar as the Customs represent-
ed a Chinese Government agency.
He contended that none could
object to that, and declared that
the question had not yet entered
the second phase, namely the in-
ternational character of the
Customs as a source of revenue
for the amortisation of foreign
loans, but he gave assurance that
due consideration would be given
to the interests of Powers con-
cerned.

Reuter.

JAPANESE TAKE OVER

Shanghai, Nov. 29.

The Japanese authorities have
assumed control of the Chinese
telegraph and wireless adminis-
trations in Shanghai and have
taken over all the branches and
instituted their own censorship.Most of the Chinese employees
have walked out, with the result
that both the telegraphic and
wireless services are disrupted.The Japanese have also taken
over censorship of the Chinese
newspapers in Shanghai, which
has hitherto been exercised by
officials appointed by the Kuom-
intang.So far there has been no inter-
ference with the foreign cable
companies, from where Chinese
censors voluntarily withdrew last
week.

Reuter.

FOREIGNERS AT KULING
DECIDE TO STAYNanchang, Nov. 29: Foreigners
resident at Kuling, the beautiful
summer resort in Kiangsi, decided
at a recent conference to stay
there despite the war situation in
China.Delegates have been sent to
Hankow to report to their re-
spective consulates on their de-
cision.

Central News.

TRAITOR ENCOURAGED TO
SURRENDERSian, Nov. 29: To give a chance
of repentance to the Chinese
traitors, the Military Affairs Com-
mission has promulgated a set of
regulations governing their self-
surrender to the government.According to the regulations,
traitors who surrender themselves
under any of the following condi-
tions will be pardoned: reporting
other traitors, disclosing the plots
of other traitors or spies, divulging
important secrets of the enemy,
offering their arms.

Central News.

NORMALITY RESTORED

Linfen, Nov. 29: Normal condi-
tions have been restored at Chieh-
hsu and Fenyang, which were
recently recaptured by Chinese
forces, a report received here
states.Postal, telegraphic and other
communications, according to the
report, have been resumed.
To safeguard peace and order
heavy garrison troops are now
stationed inside and outside the
cities.After recapturing Taihu, the
Chinese forces are reported to be
vigorously pushing toward Yutze
near Taiyuan.

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THE SERVICES

(By The Air Mail, London Nov. 13.)

ROYAL NAVY

PAYMASTER CAPTAIN BOARDMAN

Paymaster Captain J. C. Boardman, C.M.G., who served as an additional secretary to the late Admiral Beatty in the Grand Fleet in 1917-19, has been placed on the retired list on attaining the age limit of 55. During the past two years he has been accountant officer of the Excellent, gunnery school.

EXPANSION OF THE NAVY. Admiral Sir Martin Dunbar-Nasmith, V.C., Second Sea Lord, at the nineteenth annual reunion dinner of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve (Auxiliary Patrol) Club, spoke of the expansion of the Navy.

There were at present, he said, roughly 510,000 tons of warship construction on the stocks. It was a formidable task to train the men necessary for this expanding fleet, but so far as recruiting was concerned we were keeping our heads above water. He believed the success of the recruiting drive was due to a general appreciation of the fact that the British Navy was the common factor which stood between law and order and world chaos. The number of recruits to the Navy entered this year was four times as many as in 1932. There had been a considerable and satisfactory increase in recruiting in Lancashire and Yorkshire. The Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve was nearly up to numbers, and the success of the R.N.V. Supplementary Reserve for yachtsmen and other men interested in the sea was immediate. Small groups had been formed to study seamanship and navigation. A course for Merchant Navy officers had been started and they were passing through at the rate of 500 a month.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments are made by the Admiralty:—

Surg. Cdr.—L. P. Spero, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., to London (Nov. 20); H. L. Douglas, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., to President, for course at R.A.F. Central Medical Establishment and R.N. Barracks, Devonport (Nov. 29); and to Glorious, on recommg. (Dec. 20).

Payr. Cdr.—M. A. W. Sweeney, to Edinburgh (Nov. 22).

Lt.—Cdr.—L. J. S. Ede, to Hebe; P. H. Hadow, to Halcyon (Nov. 10); J. M. Rowland, to Pembroke, for R.N.B. (Nov. 30); J. F. W. C. Hawkins, to Pembroke, for R.N.B. (Dec. 1).

Surg. Lt.—Cdr.—A. Long, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., to Victory, for R.N.B. (Dec. 4); and to Grenville (Dec. 20); E. H. Rampling, to Devonshire (Nov. 20).

Lt.—E. I. Lee, A. S. Tibbits, to Hebe; M. Napier, to Halcyon (Nov. 10); G. B. S. Slater, to Ganges (Nov. 29); P. G. Merriman, to Forester; A. N. Rowell, to Fearless (Dec. 14).

Lt.—F. L. Graham, M.B.E., to Winchester (Dec. 5).

Surg. Lt.—G. T. Holroyd, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., to Excellent (Nov. 18); to Victory, for R.N.B. (Nov. 27); and to Ladybird (Dec. 20); D. P. Gurd, M.B., to Pembroke for R.N.B. (Dec. 2).

Sub-Lt.—F. D. Cole, to Gallant; J. K. Hamilton, to Isis (Nov. 27); J. R. David, to Verity (Dec. 14); and to Boreas (Jan. 22); P. M. James, to Brilliant; E. H. Lee, to Fortune (Dec. 14); G. W. Style, to Pembroke (Dec. 14); and to Escort (Jan. 15); H. A. Corbett, to Impulsive (on commg.).

Cd. Gunners.—W. S. Tyrwhitt-Bettridge, to Ajax; A. E. Jacobs, to Nelson; F. C. Castle, to Excellent; F. T. Gribbin, to Curacao (Dec. 1); A. E. Kearns, to Despatch; C. G. Elliott, to Hawkins (Dec. 7); S. Hancock, to Courageous (Dec. 13); C. H. Nash, to Excellent (Dec. 15); J. Dobson, to Excellent (Nov. 15).

Gunner (T)—E. F. Pillar, to De fiance (Nov. 19).

Cd. Engr.—T. G. V. Casley, to Westminster (Dec. 1).

Gunner.—E. A. Harris, to Pembroke (Nov. 15); E. J. Watts, to P.C. 74 (Nov. 23); H. Hutchinson, to Vindictive (Dec. 13).

Schoolmaster (CWO)—W. G. Tucker, to Cornwall (Dec. 3).

THE ARMY

BATTALION COMMANDS

The War Office announces the following appointments:—Major and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel J. M. Davies, M.C., to com-

mand the 4th (Denbighshire) Battalion (Territorial), The Royal Welch Fusiliers, in succession to Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel R. G. Fenwick-Palmer, whose tenure expired on November 1.

Major and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel L. D. Bennett, M.C., T.D., to command The London Scottish (Territorial), The Gordon Highlanders, in succession to Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel L. D. Henderson, M.C., T.D., whose tenure expired on November 1.

Major J. T. Phillips, T.D., to command the 3rd (Brecknockshire and Monmouthshire) Battalion, The Monmouthshire Regiment, in succession to Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel S. C. Tomlinson, whose tenure expired on November 1.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

SQUADRON LEADER P. M. WATT

Squadron Leader P. MacGregor Watt, flying instructor and adjutant of No. 608 (North Riding) Squadron of the Auxiliary Air Force since March, 1935, is among those promoted in the October list. Entering Cranwell as a cadet in January, 1925, he was posted two years later to No. 17 (Fighter) Squadron, Upavon. He was afterwards a flying instructor at No. 1 School and the Central Flying School, and in 1932-33 was adjutant of the air units in H.M.S. Hermes in China. On his return he joined No. 18 (Bomber) Squadron, and in 1934-35 was adjutant of No. 607 (County of Durham) Squadron.

REGISTRY WEDDING

A quiet wedding took place at the Registry of Marriages, Supreme Court yesterday, when Miss Cheung Sui Ching, of No. 647 Shanghai Street, second floor, became the bride of Mr. Chan Nai Tong, salesman, of No. 46 Cochrane Street, second floor.

The groom is the son of the late Mr. Chan Kai Yu, and the bride is the daughter of Mr. Cheung Ngau.

Mr. W. Aneurin Jones, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, performed the ceremony in the presence of Messrs. Tam Wai Chi and Chan Sing Chiu.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming weddings are announced:

Mr. Alexander Wylie Black, marine surveyor, of No. 72B Nathan Road, and Miss Mary Hyde, of Claremont Hotel.

Mr. So Seng Bin, merchant, of No. 28 Des Voeux Road West, second floor, and Miss Yap Kim Eie, of No. 56A Bonham Road, second floor.

Mr. Lau Tak Yam, merchant, of No. 28 Nam Kok Road, first floor, and Miss Tam Yee Wan, of No. 41 Lung Kong Road, first floor.

Mr. Liang Chi Kwong, transportation agent, of No. 5 Fuk Wing Street, third floor, and Miss Esther Maria Xavier Cheung, of No. 97 Tao Po Road, ground floor.

Mr. To Chi Yan, merchant, of No. 16 Po Kong Village, and Miss Tsui Fun, of No. 5 Minden Avenue.

LOCAL ESTATES

Thomas Aitken Mitchell, manager of Messrs. W. R. Loxley and Company (China) Limited, late of No. 518 The Peak, who died at the War Memorial Nursing Home, on September 17, 1937, left local estate to the value of \$12,300. A petition by Louisa Georgina Mitchell (nee Pollock), widow, of No. 18 Peak Mansions, for grant of probate of the will of the deceased has been granted by the Supreme Court.

Local estate sworn under \$1,200 was left by Ham Yan To, alias Tam Yung To, cafeteria proprietor, late of Guantanamo Oriente, Cuba, who died intestate on board s.s. President Pierce on the high seas. Letters of administration to the estate of the deceased have been granted to Tam Chu Shi, widow, of Ho In, Tolshan District, Kwongtung, but at present temporarily residing at No. 273 Des Voeux Road Central, third floor.

"OUTWARD BOUND"

A.D.C. To Open 94th Season

(To The Editor, "The Hong Kong Daily Press.")

Sir,—May I through your courtesy remind a too-forgotten public of past difficulties experienced by the Hong Kong Amateur Dramatic Club in dealing with late applications of seats at last night's performances.

A year ago more than a hundred applications were received after the theatre was booked up to capacity, though the attendance on the opening night—which is generally the best night—was not at all good.

The Club opens its 94th Season with the production of "Outward Bound," a Play in Three Acts by Sutton Vane, at the China Fleet Club Theatre on Wednesday December 8 and following three nights at 9-15 p.m.

To obviate the difficulty I have mentioned and to avoid disappointment, both to ourselves and our patrons, it is earnestly hoped that those intending to book seats will do so as early as possible at Anderson Music Co., St. George's Building, Ice House Street.

I would like also to add that the acoustics of the China Fleet Club Theatre are almost perfect and the lower priced seats at two dollars and one dollar—all of which may be reserved—are well worthy of patronage.—Yours etc.,

C. CHAMPKIN
Hon. Secretary
Hong Kong A.D.C.

RADIO EXHIBITION

Gilman & Co., Ltd. celebrated their appointment as agents for Columbia Radios yesterday morning with a cocktail party at their showrooms, "White House," Des Voeux Road Central.

Mr. Bob Webb, who took charge of the distribution of these radios in Shanghai, is looking after this latest addition to the long list of Gilman agencies. He explained to his visitors in detail yesterday the various outstanding points concerning the instruments, and mentioned that although the radios had but arrived not so long ago, twelve sets had already been sold, and customers were exceedingly satisfied with the quality of tone of the sets and the wide range of receptivity.

Several models were on view, and all cabinets are made of English walnut and designed specially for the local climate.

ASSAULT DENIED BY DETECTIVE

Further Evidence In Kowloon Inquest

Further evidence regarding the circumstances surrounding the death of a man, Chan Sun, who died from rupture of the spleen on August 30, was recorded at the resumed hearing of the inquest at the Kowloon Police Court yesterday afternoon. Mr. K. Keen sat as Coroner assisted by a jury.

Serious allegations were made by a stone cutter, Wong Lap, a friend of the deceased, at the previous hearings that deceased and himself had been beaten and kicked in the Shumshuipo Police Station where they were detained for enquiries concerning the alleged theft of a sewing machine.

At yesterday's hearing Chan Chun, a detective, continued his evidence. He denied using any force on the two alleged suspects during their detention at the station. "I used no violence either by striking or kicking," declared witness in reply to Mr. John Whyatt, Assistant Attorney General, who appeared on behalf of the Hon. Inspector General of Police.

Witness stated that he learned from one of the suspects that the owner of the sewing machine which had been lost, had assaulted them.

TWO STATEMENTS

Another detective, Yue Lam, stationed at Shamshuipo Police Station, was then called. Two statements had been taken from this witness by Det-Insp. Carey and Mr. R. H. E. Marks, A.S.P.

In the former, which was taken on September 3, witness stated that he saw deceased sitting on the floor leaning against the wall just outside the lavatory along the passage in the station. In the latter which was taken on September 30, witness stated that he saw

SPLENDID CONCERT

At Military Hospital

A splendid concert was given by local artists at the Military Hospital, Bowen Road, yesterday evening. Those who took part were Mrs. Leo Roet, Prof. Ettore Pellegatti, Mr. Li Chor-chi and Mr. Gaston D'Aquino.

Mrs. Roet is already widely acclaimed as the possessor of the finest female voice in the Colony. She sang "Romanza" from "La Gioconda," "My Message" (Guy D'Hardelot) and Brahms' "Lullaby," and so warmly were her songs received that she had to give two encores. For these, she chose, "Trees" and "Comin' Thru" the Rye, accompanying herself on the piano.

Mr. D'Aquino, a very popular and able singer, sang two songs by Edward German, and a request item, "Believe Me, If All Those Endearing Young Charms" (Moore) which elicited much applause.

The other vocalist, Mr. Li Chor-chi, who needs no introduction to local music-lovers, sang "Si vous l'avait compris" (Denza) and "Serenata" (Tosti) and also three duets with Mrs. Roet. He was greeted with great enthusiasm.

Four cello solos, "Romance" (Davidoff), "Berceuse Slave" (Neruda), "Carissima" (Elgar), and "Spanish Serenade" (Popper) were rendered by Prof. Pellegatti, whose performance was delightful. Prof. Pellegatti was formerly a member of the Shanghai Municipal Orchestra, and is considered to be one of the finest cellists in the East.

Miss Norah Flint accompanied the soloists, and contributed a great deal to the success of the concert.

After the concert, the artists and friends were the guests of Lt. Col. C. Crawford-Jones at a cocktail party. Among those present were Lt. Col. A. B. Austin and Mrs. Austin, Major F. C. Tibbs and Mrs. Tibbs, Major Archer, Captain Harvey, Captain W. E. Duckworth, Rev. Evans, Rev. Winstanley, Mrs. Burke, Miss Arline Lee, Miss Goodrich, Miss Dainey, Miss C. R. Hammond and others.

SEVERN LEIGH CASE TO GO TO PRIVY COUNCIL

Application for leave to appeal to His Majesty-in-Council in the Severn Leigh case was granted yesterday by the Full Court of Appeal comprising His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, and Mr. Justice J.A. Fraser.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., instructed by Mr. R. M. M. King, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, filed notice on behalf of the Captain, Albert Edward Ford, who charged the men with impeding the progress of the steamer by refusing to sail without a war bonus. They were acquitted when they stood trial at the Marine Court, and their acquittal was upheld by the Court of Appeal.

"There is here a matter of great general public importance and, speaking for myself, I shall be very glad indeed to receive the guidance of the Judicial Committee," said Sir Atholl MacGregor, when the application was made.

In granting the application, their Lordships ordered that the full security of \$5,000, must be lodged and the appeal made within three months.

AT THE HOTELS

The following are the latest arrivals at the hotels:

The Gloucester: Mr. and Mrs. Butcher, Mrs. B. Y. Leighton and daughter.

Hong Kong Hotel: Messrs. Edward Blesh, B. W. Mackie, E. P. Gece.

CHINESE ART

A Chinese Art Exhibition was held at the Eighth Floor of the China Building yesterday, at which some very fine Chinese paintings were displayed. There was a fair number present, including school children.

deceased outside the passage way on the steps leading to the street as Chan Chun had described.

Questioned by Mr. Whyatt, witness replied that his statement was the true account.

The hearing was adjourned to tomorrow afternoon.

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(Orders by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Inspector General of Police)

HONG KONG POLICE ATHLETIC SPORTS

All Police Reservists are reminded of the Hong Kong Police Athletic Sports which will be held at the South China Athletic Association Ground, Caroline Hill on Sunday, December 5 at 14.30 hours sharp.

The heats for the Police Reserve races will be run at the South China Association Ground on Wednesday, December 1 at 14.00 hours. Competitors failing to run in the heats will not be eligible to run in the finals.

CHINESE COMPANY

Training Course (Part I).—The undermentioned members of the Chinese Company will attend Chinese Company Headquarters on Tuesday and Friday, November 30 and December 3 at 17.30 hours for Part I of Training Course:—

Constables R44 Tam Hui Fung, R23 Kong Kar Yan, R43 Lau Chik Kai, R49 Lam Man, R48 Thomas Thim Wong, R50 Sit Pul Hang, R56 Wan Chiu, R58 Chun Ki, R60 George Chan, R64 Yam Ping Yue, and R72 Fong Hing.

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C. CHAMPKIN, D.S.P. (R).

Hong Kong, November 29.

CHANCELLOR OF READING

The Home Secretary, Sir Samuel Hoare, was elected Chancellor of Reading University recently. His election was proposed by Sir George Mowbray, President of the council, and seconded by the Vice-Chancellor, Dr. T. Franklin Sibly. Sir Samuel will be installed on Nov. 29. The last Chancellor of the university was the late Sir Austen Chamberlain.

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B. ALVES,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 18th Nov., 1937.

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Hong Kong, Nov. 26, 1937.

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The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 29th Nov., 1937.

THE FALL OF
CHANGSHIN

Nanking, Nov. 29. With the fall of Changshin on Saturday, it is stated in Chinese circles that the Japanese have gained a good operation basis, as they will now be able to concentrate from three sides on Nanking.

It is believed, however, that as long as the first Yangtze River holds, and the Japanese fleet cannot reach the capital, Nanking will hold out. A second boom has been erected at Chingkiang and it is confidently expected that this will draw out hostilities for a considerable time.

Chinese circles state that the capital will be defended at all costs. Should hostilities near the capital, the decisive battle for its possession will be fought at Lungtan, 10 kilometres to the east of Nanking, and Chinese military quarters are confident that the bravery of Chinese troops will make the occupation of Nanking very difficult for the Japanese.—Transocean

HEATED PROTEST

Against Repatriation Of
Basque Children

Barcelona, Nov. 29. "La Vanguardia" heatedly protests against the intended repatriation of Basque children who are at present in England. The paper on Sunday published the names of 500 Basque children, and appealed to the parents not to allow their repatriation into Nationalist Spain. It is stated that the Nationalist Spanish chaplain, Father Gabanas, is now in England, arranging for the return of the children and the paper calls upon the parents to appeal to the British authorities to keep the children in England or send them to France, or directly to Republican Spain. The paper promises to print a current list of other children in the various countries, in order to keep the parents informed as to the whereabouts of their children.—Transocean

COOLIE KILLED

Lam Kwok-kan, 50, coolie, was killed yesterday when a tin box fell on him while he was working at the Kowloon Godowns.

ENGAGEMENT

CLASS—WOLFMANN. The engagement was announced on October 24, 1937, in Hamburg, of Gwendolyn, elder daughter of Curt Wolmann, Oberstleutnant A.D. and Frau Winfried Wolmann (nee Moller) to Malcolm Alexander Glass, of Hankow, younger son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Glass, of Shanghai.

DEATHS

NEW.—On Saturday, November 20, 1937, at Dr. New's Nursing Home, 190 Route Ghisl, Dr. Way Ling New, M.A., B.C.H., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., the dearly beloved husband of Mrs. Catherine Lau New, father of Abraham, Joan, Mary, Martha, son of Mrs. S. C. New and brother of Mrs. C. L. Hsia.

WILGELMIN.—At her residence, Jubilee Court, Shanghai, on November 21, 1937, Antonina Ivanovna Wilgelmin, an active member of the Russian Orthodox Confraternity and the beloved wife of Nicolas Wilgelmin of the Shanghai Power Co.

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NORTH CHINA

When the Lukuchiao incident first came to light the students of Chinese politics who were in the vicinity of this now world-renowned place, were agreed that what was causing world-wide concern was not who fired the first shot, but rather when the last would be fired, and where. It seemed possible then that even if a local settlement could not be effected the trouble would at least be confined to North China. How mistaken these judges were we now well know, but in fairness to them let it be said that few foreigners—or for the matter of that, Chinese—even thought for one single moment that the hostilities would extend to Taiyuan, Chengchow, Hankow, Nanking, Kweichow, Wuchow, and last but not least, Canton. The conflict has assumed such serious proportions that no place of any military importance "within" reach of Japan's long-distance bombers can now be regarded as immune from attack. How can they very well be when even defenceless villages and hamlets, not to mention open towns and refugee centres have been attacked? And it is indeed hard that of all the cities of China, Shanghai, the most important of them all, despite its international status, has suffered the most. We have already in these columns, dealt with the problem of the rehabilitation of Shanghai and all we need recapitulate now is that the very vastness of such an undertaking, which to succeed must depend on outside assistance, staggers the imagination.

The whole of the civilised world has been asking with increasing impatience, how much longer the Sino-Japanese hostilities are to continue, and what will be their outcome? There is, however, one point which must be constantly borne in mind. The Chinese have, as a whole, rallied to the support of the Central Government and there is not a man, woman or child who is not ready to take up arms for the country. The same may be said of the Japanese, but only up to a point. While reports to hand indicate that the military elements are as loyal as can be expected, the peasants and business classes are growing

restive and there are indications that they do not seem too pleased at the idea of their money being spent on a war against a people with whom they, individually, have no quarrel.

We do not intend to be rash enough to predict when the hostilities will be terminated, but in dealing with this vast subject of Sino-Japanese hostilities a few points have to be constantly borne in mind. In the first place, from the Japanese point of view, the campaign north of the Yellow River is far more important than the operations in and around Shanghai though we cannot say that the campaign in the north has been slowed down in order that all available troops may be despatched to Shanghai.

Though numerically weaker than the Chinese forces opposing them, the Japanese in North China, by reason of their superior war equipment, proved more than a match for the provincial forces they encountered, and Nanking was obviously reluctant to despatch National Divisions north of the Yellow River where they would be dependent upon two precarious lines of communication.

It would appear that if the Japanese army occupies the whole left bank of the Yellow River the Chinese would be hard put to recover the lost ground. A Japanese withdrawal from the Yellow River enclave will only be brought about by negotiation, and one can only speculate as to the terms on which it could be arranged. Direct or indirect pressure from other quarters, however, may cause the Japanese Government to hesitate, in an attempt to impose conditions which would permanently impair China's sovereignty over this large area.

GENEVA'S "PALACE
OF LUXURY"

What are the facts about the cost of the new League of Nations building at Geneva? The official opening of the Assembly hall, midway through this year's League Assembly, has aroused a storm of angry accusations from hostile critics. It has always been fashionable to attack the League of Nations on the score of its cost, despite the easily ascertainable fact that Great Britain has to pay for the League no more than she does for printing and stationery in the Admiralty. Now the onslaught is being directed against the expenditure of "vast sums" to provide a "palace of luxury" at Geneva.

First, were the new League buildings necessary? There should be no doubt about the answer. The humblest town or borough claims the right to its own town hall and municipal offices. Any department of the Civil Service would quite rightly object to being crammed into a converted hotel, which until last year was the fate of the League Secretariat. The League, now that it has come to stay, is entitled to a home of its own.

Secondly, has the cost been excessive? That question can be answered only with a knowledge of the normal cost of public buildings. "If the total cost of about one million pounds for the building sounds a lot," said Mr. Jacklin, the League Treasurer, "find out what your local Town Hall costs, and remember that we are the international town hall of 57 nations."

Actually, the original estimates for construction (plus the grant for fixtures, outside work and lighting) amounted to about £1,164,000. Critics sometimes expand this figure by translating it into terms of the depreciated pound. It must be remembered, however, that the project was embarked upon as long ago as 1924 and the annual contribution towards the cost began to come

If Gossip We Must

(BY ELSPETH)

The beckoning lights of the brilliantly decorated Peninsula Hotel lured us across the harbour last Friday for the Annual Ball of St. Andrew's Society, and we arrived in time to watch the Official Party make a spectacular progress to the Dais in the Rose Room.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote, led, with the Chieftain, Sir Atholl MacGregor and Lady MacGregor. It was a most impressive sight and the splendid kilts and the gorgeous pipes lent an authentic Highland atmosphere.

There were so many lovely dresses there that it is almost impossible to particularize.

Being a little dazed by my efforts to acquit myself creditably in the mazes of the reels, I was content to enjoy the scene as a kaleidoscope.

I saw Mrs. King dancing gracefully. She is to be congratulated on the M.B.E., which was conferred on her in the last Honours List and which was conferred on her at the Investiture held at Government House, last week. She had her two pretty daughters with her.

Mrs. Dalziel, who is always beautifully dressed, was chatting to the Chieftain who looked splendid in his Tartan. Mrs. Stevenson was dancing with her husband, a former Chieftain.

Mrs. J. MacGregor in white wore a brilliant scarf of the MacGregor Tartan, and, made an effective picture talking to her two sons, who were immaculately turned out in the Traditional Scottish Costume.

Miss Mackichan and Miss McEay were two outstandingly attractive daughters of St. Andrews, and Mrs. Prentis, who was to sail next day, was making a farewell appearance and looked very soignée in black.

I saw the Countess de Courcelles looking very lovely.

All the world was present and everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves heartily.

ROSE ROOM OPENING

Last Saturday evening was the opening of the Rose Room at the Hong Kong Hotel. There is a club-like air of intimacy about this ballroom which more than compensates for the rather restricted



At the Race Course..... East and West mix freely.

dancing space. I saw Mrs. Goldman, wife of the well known tennis player. She had a delightful dress in a pale shade of gold.

Mrs. Barry had enhanced her striking good looks with a lovely white lace dress, and Mrs. Fuller, who has just returned from England, came with her husband and brought a large party. She wore a very unusual dress of brown lace.

Mrs. Hodgkinson wore a striking flame-coloured frock and was dancing in a party which included her sister Miss Langley. The latter wore a most original dress in Candy Striped Taffeta. Miss Peggy Humphreys, who dances so gracefully, looked enchanting in soft black lace. Miss Knatchbull-Hughes also wore a lovely black dress.

I saw the Misses Fair in a "young" party. Miss Betty Fair was in a lovely shade of dark blue which went well with her fair hair. Her sister had trimmings of wine colour on her dark blue dress.

Miss Armstrong was a graceful figure in black.

Mrs. Gaysford, a newcomer to the Colony, was dancing with her husband and wore a dress in a bold design of white and black.

The turn provided by those clever dancers, Szita and Anis was excellent. In her second number Miss Szita wore a lovely scintillating frock of Midnight Blue tulle and sequins and the effect was in-

describably lovely. It is a great delight to have these versatile people back again to amuse us.

FANLING HUNT

Although the opening meet of the Fanling Hunt does not take place till next Sunday, a number of enthusiasts went out on Sunday 28th for a trial run with hounds.

In spite of the promise of a cool morning the day was very hot and scent did not lie well. As is to be expected after such a Summer, the country was fairly blind and some of the more inexperienced ponies came to grief. Miss Fair on China Clipper who is new to the country had a hasty toss and was brought back suffering from quite bad concussion and unpleasant facial abrasions.

Captain Walsley Cotter hunted hounds. The field met at Dill's Corner and moved off skirting the country club Golf Course, finally checking on the hill overlooking Lo Woo camp.

Many of the regular Fanling crowd were out. Among those who moved off were Mrs. Swinburne, Mrs. McAvoy, Mrs. Paton, Miss Betty Fair, Miss Smalley, Wing Commander Dalziel, Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. McAvoy, Mr. Nelson, Captain Menzies, Captain Hopper, Mr. Watson, Capt. Douglas, Mr. Archer and several others. In spite of the heat and trappy country a very good run was enjoyed.

LITVINOFF ON
SOVIET
PREPAREDNESSSays Aggressor States
Exhausted By War
Programme

Lenin, Nov. 29. "Although faithful to the ideals of the League and collective security, the Soviet relies on her own forces and is ready to defeat any enemy," declared M. Maxim Litvinoff to an election audience here, where a nominee for the Supreme Council is being chosen.

His speech bristled with ironical references to the Brussels Conference and the weakness of the democratic countries.

He concluded by saying that the fighting forces of aggressor countries were united in order to bombard the Comintern, but the aggressors were so exhausted economically by the cost of preparing war that they could not decide upon a long war and therefore must seek the line of least resistance.

"We and they know this line cannot reach our borders. The defensive capacity of the Soviet does not depend on international combinations, but on the unceasing growth of the might of the Red Army and fighting forces."

Reuter

in long before Great Britain went off the gold standard. Nevertheless, to meet the unforeseen expenses, the Assembly has voted an extra £150,000.

How does the total sum compare with the cost of public buildings in Great Britain? The London County Hall cost more than £3,200,000. The War office building cost £1,220,000. The British Exchequer found £1,150,000 to provide Ulster with its new Parliament Buildings.

JAPANESE "ACES"
KILLED

Shanghai, Nov. 29.

According to a Japanese report, three crack naval fliers perished in flames on Saturday in the course of a daring raid on Chinese positions at Kintan, south of Changchow on the Shanghai-Nanking Railway.

One plane, which was piloted by one of the best Japanese naval fliers, Sub-Lieut. Tanaka, had just dropped a bomb and was preparing to go into another power dive when his gasoline tank was hit by an anti-aircraft shell. The machine burst into flame and it crashed in the Chinese positions, killing the three occupants.

The report states that the fliers' deaths were avenged by a squadron of planes to which Sub-Lieut. Tanaka's machine belonged, which demolished the anti-aircraft battery and heavily damaged Chinese entrenchments.

A number of small junks, with Chinese crews, in Soochow Creek were seized by Japanese motor launches manned by the military. The launches went up the creek and made seizures of the junks which were towed to the Whangpoo river. It is understood the Chinese crews and their families are being given food while working for the Japanese. As a result of the seizures, numerous houseboats, barges, junks and other craft moored in Soochow Creek are at present flying foreign flags.—Reuter

ISOLATING
CHANGCHOW

Shanghai, Nov. 29.

Questioned about the proposed safety zone at Nanking, a Japanese Embassy spokesman said that General Tang Sheng-chi's statement was "rather discouraging."

The question of isolating Hangchow from warfare was unsettled and it remained up to the Chinese to demilitarise the area.

A Japanese army spokesman said that Japanese forces advanced

JAPAN AND THE
CHINESE CUSTOMS

Tokyo, Nov. 29.

The "Asahi Shimbun" in an editorial to-day on the British and American representations to Japan regarding the Shanghai Customs control issue "which are in the nature of warnings," points out that Japan has not presented any formal demand whatever to any Government. General Matsui merely declared that Japan should, as a matter of course, take over the Maritime Customs, postal and telegraph administrations. Even if Japan makes a demand of the nature mentioned there is no reason whatever for Japan taking unjust measure in disregard of the Powers.

"It is not difficult to imagine any step which Japan may take in this regard will be to the extent of the precedent in connection with the Tientsin Customs," says the newspaper.

Suggesting that Britain and America had taken their present attitudes because they are specially concerned with Shanghai or they apprehend that Japan may demand more than at Tientsin, the newspaper continues: "On this account in dealing with the Powers" representations Japan need not lower the level of demand if she should make them as matters of course. It need hardly be mentioned that as a victor country Japan should adopt a grave attitude.—Reuter

CHANGCHOW FALLS

Shanghai, Nov. 29.

According to a Japanese press report, hitherto unconfirmed, the Japanese entered Changchow this morning.—Reuter

ing from the north and south had surrounded Ining, west of Taihu Lake, and he added that Kiangyin was being hard pressed.—Reuter

IMPORTANT ANGLO-FRENCH PARLEYS IN LONDON



Mr. Chamberlain



M. Chautemps



Mr. Eden



M. Delbos

M. Camille Chautemps, Premier of France, and M. Yvon Delbos, French Foreign Minister, who are now in London to participate in important talks on international affairs with Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Prime Minister, and the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden. It is believed that the Colonial question, the Far East crisis and the Spanish problem will be the chief subjects of discussion. Lord Halifax, who recently visited Herr Hitler in Berlin, will also take part in the talks.

MINISTERS MEET AT NUMBER TEN

London, Nov. 29. Formal conversations between the British and French statesmen at which all the important aspects of world affairs will be reviewed began promptly at 11 o'clock this morning at No. 10, Downing Street. The Prime Minister received the French Premier and Foreign Minister, M. Chautemps and M. Delbos who were accompanied by the French Ambassador in London, M. Corbin, the Secretary General of the Quai d'Orsay, M. Leger, Director of Political and Commercial Affairs, M. Massigli, and the First Secretary of the French Embassy, M. de Margerie.

The French visitors arrived in London late last night and were met by representatives of the Foreign Secretary. When they reached Downing Street this morning Mr. Anthony Eden and the Permanent Under-Secretary of the Foreign Office, Sir Robert Vansittart, were already with the Prime Minister.

Very great importance is attached here to these talks in view of recent developments in the international sphere which it is felt call for joint consideration. Impressions gained by Lord Halifax during his recent visit to Germany which will be communicated to the French statesmen at to-day's meetings will, it is assumed, have an important bearing on the examination of the European situation and it is taken for granted that careful consideration will be given to the insistent German demand for recognition as a colonial power.

Apart from European problems particular attention will be given to the grave developments in the Far East. The serious view of recent events in Shanghai that is taken here is known to be fully shared by the French Government.

"WEEK OF DECISIONS"

London, Nov. 29. "Week of decisions" is what almost the entire London press calls the next few days, with the visit of the French Premier, M. Chautemps and Foreign Minister, M. Delbos, who arrived here and were greeted at the station by Sir Robert Vansittart of the Foreign Office. From Folkestone to London they were accompanied by French Ambassador, M. Corbin, who had previously conferred with the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Eden.

The conference between the French and British statesmen will commence to-day and will probably be over by Tuesday noon. An important addition to the programme has been an invitation to lunch at Buckingham Palace, on which occasion Lord Halifax and Mr. Eden will also be present. This invitation by the King is cited by the press as indicating the importance of the visit.

The consensus of the lengthy comments in all papers seem to be that the opinion prevails that neither France nor England plan any decisive change of foreign policy. It is again emphasised that the revision of the Franco-Soviet Pact will not be discussed and it is believed that the colonial question, the Far East crisis and the Spanish problem will be chief subjects of discussion.

It is stated that the outcome of the British and French conversations will be communicated to Berlin and Rome in the course of this week. The Prime Minister, it is added, will make a second and more explicit statement on Lord Halifax's visit to Germany in the House of Commons before the week-end. The Premier will, however, refuse to make the visit a subject for debate.—*Transocean.*

ITALY AND MANCHUKUO

De Jure Recognition

New Trade Agreement Expected

Rome, Nov. 29: Italy has decided to accord de jure recognition of Manchukuo.

An official announcement is expected this afternoon. It is understood that the Italian Legation will be established in Hsinking and it is expected that Manchukuo will adhere to the Italo-German-Japan Anti-Comintern Pact. The next step in the process of drawing Italy and Japan closer is expected to be a new trade agreement which has been under negotiation for several months and will arrange for the resumption of trade between Japan and Abyssinia on a basis of exchange of Japanese manufactures for Abyssinian cotton which will be developed on a big scale in Abyssinia principally in the region of Lake Tsana. This would avoid the Suez Canal dues which would have to be paid if the cotton were imported from Italy.—*Reuter.*

CHINA FLOATS NEW LOAN?

Tokyo, Nov. 29. The Japanese newspaper, *Yomiuri*, publishes in sensational style a telephonic interview with Marquis Kido, a Japanese statesman who is now in Paris, declaring that after the Brussels conference, Dr. Wellington Koo secretly carried on negotiations with the British, American, French, Belgian and Soviet conference delegates, requesting a £100,000,000 munitions loan. Dr. Koo allegedly declared that otherwise the Power's rights and interests in the Orient would be wiped out.

Marquis Kido states that Dr. Koo secretly called on the British and American delegates on November 22, and implored Anglo-American positive assistance, otherwise China would perish or yield to Japan, he is reported as saying.

At a secret meeting of the delegates of the five Powers, the English and Americans allegedly tentatively promised support to Chinese resistance, and "it is a fact that such a promise was given the Chinese representative," Marquis Kido asserts.

Marquis Kido states that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek requested a £100,000,000 three per cent. loan, to be expended on enormous supplies which were detailed, including 1,000 aeroplanes, 150 field guns, 234 anti-aircraft guns, and millions of rounds of shells.

The newspaper observes: "Japan must realise that opportunity is slipping for joint assistance to China behind the scenes."—*Reuter.*

SEVEN DISTRICTS RECAPTURED

Tsinan, Nov. 29: The Chinese left flank operating along the Yellow River have recaptured seven important districts on the north bank of the river, according to military reports received here. These districts include Jenping, Hsatsin, Wucheng, Liucheng and Tanqyl. Strong defence works have been established in this area.

It is also officially announced that the Japanese watchtower at Lokow on the north bank of the Yellow River has been demolished by Chinese gunfire following the heavy shelling on Nov. 27.

Japanese units on the right flank at Putai have been repulsed by Chinese reinforcements who arrived there a few days ago.—*Central News.*

ROYALTY ON TOUR

The King To Visit Cornwall

London, Nov. 29.

During the present week the King will visit Devonshire and Cornwall and the Duke of Kent will make a tour of the social service centres in Scotland. His Majesty will leave London by train to-morrow night and the tour will begin at Morton, Hampshire, early next morning. Wednesday's itinerary includes visits to many towns and villages and about 200 miles will have been covered by motor car when the King reaches Camborne, Cornwall, on that evening. A call at Launceston will be included.

It will be the first visit of an English reigning monarch to that town since Charles the First. Wednesday night will be spent in the Royal train and Thursday's visits to Royal Duchy farms and other places will also be made by motor car. The King will return to London on Thursday evening from Bath.

The Duke of Kent's Scottish visit will also take place on Wednesday and Thursday and ceremonies will include the opening of Newbattle Abbey College, the first residential adult education College to be established in Scotland.—*British Wireless Service.*

CAIRO SHOOTING SENSATION

Attempt on Life of Nahas Pasha, Premier

Cairo, Nov. 28. An attempt was made at 8.30 p.m. to-day to assassinate the Egyptian Premier, Nahas Pasha. The assailant fired four shots at the Nahas as the latter was driving in a car from his home at Heliopolis to attend a reception at Shubra.

The Premier was not hurt, and the assailant, who is an Egyptian, was subsequently arrested.—*Reuter.*

Particulars of the incident, as far as are known, are that in Heliopolis three shots were fired at the car in which the Premier was driving home. One shot smashed through the window. The culprit declared that he was a member of the Greenshirt opposition.—*Transocean News Service.*

GRANDSON OF REVOLUTIONARY

The assailant was a youth named Izzidine Khader, who, clad in a green shirt, leapt from the pavement to the road when the car was near the centre of Heliopolis. One shot hit the car two inches below the window where the Premier was sitting.

A policeman in a car following jumped out, captured the youth and gave him a black eye, afterwards taking him to the police station where it was found he possessed two loaded revolvers.

Khader is the 22-year-old grandson of the late Arabi Pasha, leader of the 1882 revolution. He is not a member of the Blueshirt organisation, but of the Greenshirts, which is an organisation of young Egyptians hostile to the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty.—*Reuter.*

DR. GOEBBELS TO VISIT EGYPT

London, Nov. 29: Dr. Goebbels is expected to visit Egypt at the end of the week according to messages from Berlin and Cairo.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

FRENCH SHIP BOMBED

OFF SPANISH COAST

Paris, Nov. 29. A French cargo steamer has reported that she was attacked by a plane and bombed, but was not hit, off the north-east coast of Spain near the French frontier. The steamer was en route to North Africa.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

RIOTING IN CAIRO

Cairo, Nov. 29. Rioting occurred in Cairo after the attempt to assassinate the Premier, Nahas Pasha. The British Ambassador was among the many people who sent messages of congratulation to the Prime Minister on his narrow escape.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

INDIAN CAVALRY

To Be Mechanised

New Delhi, Nov. 29. The mechanisation of Indian cavalry regiments has been approved by the Indian Government. Four of five British cavalry regiments in India will be converted, the cavalry into light tanks while infantry regiments to be mechanised into machine-gun units will be the First Battalion Royal Fusiliers, First Battalion Scots Fusiliers, the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders and Devonshire Regiment.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

ANHWEI TOWN BOMBED

Nanking, Nov. 29: Forty persons were killed and 100 injured during a Japanese air raid on Hsancheng (Ningkuo) Anhwei, province, about 70 miles south of Nanking, an official report received here states. Two train coaches were hit and demolished. It is also disclosed to-day that two Japanese planes attempted to bomb a passenger train on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway at Shihlin in northern Anhwei on Nov. 28. All the bombs fell wide of their mark. Shihlin was also bombed, but details are still lacking. At Peikwan scores of dwelling houses were burned to the ground following the Japanese air raids.—*Central News.*

AUSTRIAN FINANCE MINISTER IN LONDON

London, Nov. 29. Dr. Neumayer, Austrian Finance Minister, and Dr. Klenbock, President of the Austrian National Bank, arrived at Victoria yesterday for a short visit. Their engagements include a dinner to be given by Sir Robert Kindersley, well-known banker, and a luncheon arranged by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon.—*British Wireless Service.*

AUSTRALIAN PUBLIC WORKS LOAN

Canberra, Nov. 29. The £8,000,000 Australian Public Works loan will be issued to-morrow bearing interest of 3-3/4 per cent for fourteen years. The loan will be issued 99-3/4 which gives a yield of £23,158-6d. per cent.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

CONDITION REPORTED SERIOUS

Prince Bernhard In Accident

Amsterdam, Nov. 29: The condition of Prince Bernhard zur Lippe-Biesterfeld, who was injured in a motor accident at Deane, near Amsterdam, is, according to a bulletin issued early this afternoon, considered to be so serious that the doctors have ordered that the patient shall be regularly observed every hour.

It is stated at the same time that there is no immediate danger for the Prince's life.



Princess Juliana has been advised by her physicians in view of her forthcoming accouchement not to visit her husband, at any rate for the time being.

Queen Wilhelmina stayed for an hour at her son-in-law's bedside and then proceeded to see her daughter.

TRAGIC INCIDENT NEAR NAZARETH

British Police Officer Dies From Wound

London, Nov. 29. A British police officer was killed by an Arab near Nazareth, it is reported here. The constable, sitting beside a chauffeur in a car which was shot at, was hit, and subsequently died in hospital. When the car pursued the assailant, another shooting occurred, when a Jewish passer-by was injured.

No further incidents occurred in Jerusalem, thanks to the extensive precautionary measures taken by the authorities.—*Transocean.*

NEW TANKERS

London, Nov. 29. The Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Company has placed orders for eight new tankers of the latest type with super-charged Diesel engines representing a total expenditure of £2,280,000.—*British Wireless Service.*



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EVACUATION PLAN COMPLETE

British Subjects In Nanking

Nanking, Nov. 29. All British subjects are now concentrated in and near the British Embassy north of Nanking not far from the Yangtze. Evacuation plan is at present complete. Chinese servants of the Embassy and British subjects are embarking on a bulk shortly in order to prevent a possible last minute rush of British subjects. H.M.S. *Scarab* is expected to arrive early this week to supplement the British gunboats here.

EXCHANGE SHOPS

Owing to the closure of banks the Municipal authorities have arranged to open three exchange shops to prevent money difficulties embarrassing the Nanking population.—*Reuter.*

FOREIGN DIPLOMATS CONFER IN HANKOW

Hankow, Nov. 29: High foreign diplomats who have arrived here from Nanking held a conference to-day in the private residence of the German Ambassador. It is learned that the present situation was discussed and the conference exchanged information on the recent developments.

Among the diplomats present were: Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, American Ambassador, Mr. R. G. Howe, British Charge d'Affaires, Dr. Oscar Trautmann, German Ambassador, M. G. Melamed, Soviet Charge d'Affaires and M. Lucien Colin, Councillor of the French Embassy.—*Central News.*

DOMESTIC TELEGRAPH SERVICE SUSPENDED

Canton, Nov. 29. The Shanghai Office of the Chinese Telegraph Administration suspended operations at 10 o'clock last night and all messages for domestic delivery under the Chinese service have been stopped, according to information received here from communications circles. The telegraph office has since been occupied by Japanese. Telegrams to foreign countries are now being entirely handled by the three foreign cables. Messages to a limited number of cities in China are also being accepted by these companies, it is stated.—*Central News.*

JAPANESE CAPTURE TOWN OF KIANGYIN

Shanghai, Nov. 29: The Japanese announce the capture of the town of Kiangyin, on the south bank of the Yangtze, this morning. Forts of that town, however, are reported to be still in the hands of the Chinese.

The Japanese advance is said to have been continued as far as Watsin, south-west of Kiangyin, thereby severely shaking the Chinese defence line stretching from Kiangyin southward. West of Tsinan Lake, the Japanese claim to have captured Ishing which is burning.

By the capture of Ishing the Japanese control on Tsinan Lake is said to have become complete.—*Transocean News Service.*

JAPANESE TROOPS BESIEGED AT PUTAI

Tsinan, Nov. 29: After being routed by the Chinese forces on November 27, part of the Japanese units at Putai on the right flank of the Shantung front have retreated into the city and are now being besieged by the Chinese forces.

Meanwhile, the Chinese forces are "mopping up" detached groups of Japanese remnants at Jenping, Foping, Chingping, Hsiansin, Wuchang, Liucheng and Tanqyl which have been recently recovered.—*Central News.*

CHINESE PREPARE TO ATTACK YUTZE

Hankow, Nov. 29: Chinese forces are making preparations for an offensive on Yutze on the Chengtai Railway about 25 kilometres southeast of Talyuan, military advices from Shansi indicate. There are about 2,000 Japanese troops at Yutze where they are building an aerodrome. A small unit of Japanese mechanised force was routed by the Chinese troops near the town some days ago.

Suspecting that the local inhabitants had helped the Chinese troops, the Japanese later burnt down a number of villages in the vicinity, and slaughtered over 100 of the villagers.—*Central News.*

ADDITIONAL DAMAGE TO C.K.R.

Canton, Nov. 28: Whilst the Canton-Kowloon Railway is still under repair, additional damage was done this morning by a squadron of 20 Japanese warplanes to the track and the telegraph wires and poles in a systematic raid on the stations between Nganchanlou and Shiykwan.—*Central News.*

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LADIES' SERIES RESULTS

Win For True Blue

The seventh ladies race of the first series of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club was sailed yesterday afternoon and resulted in a win for True Blue in the "A" Class and Diana in the Mixed Classes. Detailed results were as follows:—

"A" Class—Started at 14.45			
Finished	Corr.	Pos.	Pts.
Artemis	16.08.57	16.08.57	8
(Miss M. Whitlam)			
Joss	16.08.03	16.08.03	7
Gull	16.03.00	16.03.00	8
(Mrs. L. Stanton)			
Redshank	16.09.38	16.09.38	9
(Mrs. P. R. Richards)			
True Blue	16.02.28	16.02.28	1
(Mrs. G. D. Adams)			
Kittiwake	16.05.21	16.05.21	4
(Miss P. M. King)			
Painted			
Lady	16.06.23	16.06.23	6
(Mrs. B. P. Eley)			
Jean	16.04.00	16.04.00	3
(Mrs. E. R. Edwards)			
La Linda	16.06.01	16.06.01	5
(Mrs. D'Arcy Evans)			
Mixed Classes—Started at 14.55			
Diana	16.07.51	16.07.51	1
(Miss J. A. Buskley)			
Eunice, D.N.S.			
Heron, D.N.F.			
Nannette	16.23.13	16.10.45	2
(Miss O. Patchett)			
Zephyr	16.26.52	16.14.24	3
(Mrs. J. G. Pattullo)			
Widgeon	17.52.23	17.40.29	5
(Miss H. Crawhall Wilson)			
Dorothea, D.N.S.			
Winkle	16.28.07	16.14.39	4
(Mrs. McClatchie)			

LADIES' GOLF

L.G.U. Medal Competition played on November 23.
Silver Division, Old Course, prize presented by Mrs. Forbes: Miss Goodrich 94-13-81.
Bronze Division, New Course, prize presented by Ladies' Section: Mrs. Swinburne 96-28-88.

C.B.A. MEETING

An extraordinary general meeting of the Central British Association will be held in the private dining room on the first floor of the Peninsula Hotel on December 8, at 8 p.m. All members are invited to attend this meeting.

DANCE

The Central British Association have also made arrangements to hold another Cabaret-Dance at the China Light and Power Club-house in King's Park on December 11, at 9 p.m.

FLAT RACING AT HOME

Sir Victor Sassoon
Third Among Winners

London, Nov. 29.

Sir Victor Sassoon was third among the winning owners during the flat racing season just concluded, winning sixteen races to the value of £22,441 in stakes. H. H. the Aga Khan was first with thirty wins to the value of £30,655. Sir Victor Sassoon was third among the breeders with £20,647 the Aga Khan being first collecting £48,252.—
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Aberavon Scrum-Half Ordered Off

Llanelli... 21 pts Aberavon... 4
The match at Llanelli, where Llanelli beat Aberavon by three goals, a penalty goal and a try to a dropped goal, was fought throughout with tremendous keenness which, in the second half, brought unfortunate results.

The referee, having issued a caution to both sides, ordered H. Williams, the Aberavon scrum-half, off the field, and a little later an eye injury deprived Llanelli of the services of their captain, Will Williams.

These incidents marred an otherwise enjoyable game, in which Llanelli, though beaten in the scrums, possessed a considerable advantage behind. Much of their handling was first rate.

W. H. Clement obtained the only try of the first half for Llanelli, R. G. Brown converting. In the second stage, Jones, Ivor Jones and Fred Rees added tries for Llanelli. Brown improving two and kicking a penalty goal. Aberavon responded with a dropped goal by W. R. Davies.

Sporting Fixtures

TO-DAY

Hockey.—Seaforths v. Police (Police Training School), 4.45 p.m.
Meeting.—Kowloon Chess Club, at St. Andrew's Church Hall, 5.30 p.m.
Rugby.—Seaforths v. Small Units (Sookunpoo), 3 p.m.

TO-MORROW

Badminton.—"B" division fixtures.
Football.—Junior Shield: Engineers (C) v. 20th Battery R.A. Military Ground, Happy Valley, 2.45 p.m.; Military League: R.A. M.C. v. 7th A.A. Battery, R.A. Military, Happy Valley, 2.45 p.m.; Referee, L/c Moorcroft; 12th (H) Battery, R.A. v. R.A.O.C. (Military), Happy Valley, 4.15 p.m.; Referee, Sgt. Whittle; D/Middlesex v. H.Q. Middlesex (Chatham Road, 2.45 p.m.; Referee, Pte. Sxomer ville).
Hockey.—Seaforths v. Radio Sports Club (Sookunpoo), 4 p.m.
Shooting.—Hong Kong Rifle Association Weekly Spoon and Practice Shoot, Army Range, Kowloon City, 2 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2

Football.—Military League: 12th (H) Battery, R.A. v. 9th A.A. Battery, R.A. (Military, Happy Valley, 4.15 p.m.; Referee, Fus. Edwards); B/Middlesex v. 24th (H) Battery, R.A. (Chatham Road, 4.15 p.m.; Referee, Sgt. Tomlinson).

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4

Racing.—Hong Kong Jockey Club's Twelfth Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley, 2 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5

Athletics.—Hong Kong Police Annual Athletic Sports Meeting, at S.C.A.A. Stadium, Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.

BRITISH RIFLE TEAM LEAVES

Empire Test Matches

The British rifle team, 14 of England's best marksmen, left Euston recently to compete in test matches with South Africa, Australia and New Zealand.

The men will travel round the world, and return to England in six months.

This will be the third British rifle team to compete in rifle matches in Australia, and it is the youngest ever to leave this country.

The average age of the team is 26, and it includes Mr. D. L. Birney, who this year won the King's Prize at Bisle, and Mr. R. Fulton, son of Mr. Arthur Fulton, who is the only man to have won the King's Prize three times.

The team will be led by Cmdr. D. S. Swanson, R.N., and will shoot against representatives of the Provinces of South Africa and the Australian States, as well as in the test matches.

In February it will compete for the Empire Trophy at Sydney, and members will shoot as individuals at Sydney in a match for 500 guineas, which is to be part of the 150th anniversary of the founding of New South Wales.

JOCKEY'S £19,000

Mr. George Harrison Williamson, of Melton House, Loughborough-road, West Bridgford, formerly well known as a steeplechase jockey, winner of the Grand National on Manifesto in 1899, who died at the age of 69, left £19,898 (n.p. £19,057).

A GHOST CITY

Chapel As It Is To-day

The hand of destruction is visible everywhere in Chapel now. Three months ago it was a thriving and populous unit of the Shanghai city group. To-day, it is in ruins, a victim of Japanese aggression with its attendant bombs, artillery bombardments and subsequent ravaging flames that swept unchecked from one end of the far-flung city to the other.

After the hostilities of 1932, a new Chapel, built by dauntless, courageous Chinese businessmen and residents, arose from the ruins of that year. But the destruction of the current hostilities has been on a far greater scale and Chapel is truly a ghost city.

APPALLING PICTURE

A visit to the stricken area revealed an appalling picture of ruin and desolation, with street after street telling the story of its suffering. It looked like a prostrate and helpless city, devoid of life and activity, with its skyline just a jagged array of meaningless architectural forms.

A tour through the area to the Kiangwan district showed that not only in Chapel, but farther afield, scarcely a building has survived. Even in the countryside the smallest of houses has been destroyed. From Paoshan Road to the North Station and well out into the country, a succession of sandbag redoubts, hastily improvised posts in shops and buildings, hundreds of miles of barbed wire barricades and strongly built defences, give evidence of the bitter struggle between the two opposing armies.

INTERESTING EXHIBIT

A view of the battered Administration building gives rise to wonder. It was difficult to conceive how anything could have withstood the terrific pressure it received.

Opposite Blockhouse "B" was an interesting exhibit—a concrete pillbox of amazing strength, hidden from sight by advertising signboards and matched coverings. An inspection showed that it consisted of two compartments, fitted with electric light, and machine gun slots with two comfortable chairs for the guardians of the post. Behind was a strongly-built dug-out which might have housed reserves.

At the back of the administration building, a graphic illustration of the magnitude of the Japanese task and the stoutness of the Chinese resistance presented itself. Sandbag redoubts in overlapping formation along the road and every corner, gave a picture of a strongly fortified post.

The Commercial Press buildings on either side of the road, too, a sad tale of Japanese shellfire and bombing with their walls awry, roofs blown in and big gaping holes in the structures. Obviously it was used as a fortress, for every conceivable material was utilised to strengthen the doors and windows, and among the stoutest defences were boxes of metal, surmounted by sandbags. Machinery, type, paper, material of all kinds were scattered around, with bomb and shell damage completing the medley.

DESOLATION

Farther along the road, where the line of fires started, big bomb craters and shell holes show the intensity of the Japanese attack. Whatever walls are standing are pitted with bullets, shell holes, splinters and bomb fragments. Then follows the beginning of the conflagration area where every street leads to desolation and where thousands of Chinese houses and shops were destroyed by fire.

Eight-Character Bridge, so often mentioned in the war communiqués, presented an unusual sight. Over this narrow creek, within sight of the Japanese Naval Landing Party headquarters, the Japanese once faced the Chinese forces at a distance of about 300 metres yet the bridge appeared undamaged. The countryside, however, bore scars of war in scores of buildings burnt or shelled in the desperate encounters.

EIGHTEEN-MILE DUGOUT

Along Sullen Road, within sight of the original battlefield, the strength and extent of the Chinese defences in the countryside was disclosed. In the garden of what was once a pleasant villa, began the first link of a system of dug-outs which the Japanese claim extends as far as 18 miles from the neighbourhood of Kiangwan to Tazang. Within were a series of redoubts with firing points strengthened with planks and cleverly camouflaged.

Beyond this line, a Chinese college, considered one of the strongest points held by the Chinese in that district, showed the effect chiefly of Japanese bombing. The windows were sandbagged and four entrances to the quadrangle were blocked with bags, boxes and other obstacles, forming a strongly fortified position.

Looking at Chapel as it is to-day, one cannot help but wonder if it will ever rise again. Economic and political circumstances will eventually decide that point.

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HOCKEY MEETING

The usual monthly meeting of the Council of the Hong Kong Hockey Association will take place at St. Andrew's Hall at 6 p.m. on Thursday, December 2.

PLAYED GOLF WHERE HE STOLE CLUBS

Stated to have been so smartly dressed that he disarmed suspicion, Thomas Carlton Andree, 46, a native of Glasgow, who appeared in court at Edinburgh wearing plus fours, was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment for stealing golf clubs and bags, value £370.

The offences occurred in all parts of Scotland. One charge related to the clubs with which A. G. Helm was about to play for England in the boys' international. Helm had to play with borrowed clubs and his own, like many of the others concerned in the 29 charges, were recovered from a pawnshop.

It was stated that after taking clubs from a club house, Andree on more than one occasion played on the adjoining course with members. Sometimes he sold them stolen clubs.

GORDON CASTLE SOLD

Crown Purchase Of 140 Sq. Miles

DUKE OF RICHMOND AND DEATH DUTIES

The Duke of Richmond and Gordon has sold 140 square miles of his Scottish estates to the Commissioners of Crown Lands, says the "Times."

The sale is the direct result of the heavy pressure of Death Duties on real property. The burden has been especially crushing on the vendor in consequence of a levy following two deaths of owners within the last nine years.

In a farewell note about to be addressed "to all my employees," the Duke says:—

With the utmost regret I have to inform you that I have disposed of all the Gordon-Richmond Estates, excepting Glenfiddich, to the Commissioners of Crown Lands. It is well known to you that modern taxation, especially by Death Duties, renders the ownership of large agricultural and sporting estates more and more difficult to each succeeding generation.

Faced with the necessity of taking this step, I can only say that I find some relief in the knowledge that I am handing over to a department of his Majesty's Government rather than to some stranger, so that my mind is at ease over the manner in which the affairs of the estates will be conducted. In making this my farewell to you as your employer, I cannot express too sincerely my utmost gratitude for the services you have so loyally rendered to my family and myself, and I hope for no more than your welfare and happiness in the future.

MOTOR TRACK ABANDONED

Scarborough Town Council decided not to proceed with the scheme for a £150,000 motor racing track on Scarborough race-course and adjoining land.

DROP-GOAL OF A DECADE AMAZES CARDIFF

G. Jenkins' Feat For Swansea

Swansea 7 pts. Cardiff 0

The bare recital of the fact that Swansea beat Cardiff by a dropped goal and a penalty-goal to nil cannot convey the tremendous thrill and excitement of this great match on the St. Helen's ground, recently.

Before the game I doubt if even the most ardent Swansea supporter would have given a shilling for his side's chances of victory, even though he knew beforehand that Cliff Jones was not playing. Cardiff had scored many famous victories without the little wizard.

Swansea had given nothing more than the promise of settling down into a useful side about mid-season when the many recruits had shed the gaucherie and nervousness which afflict young players new to first-class Rugby. So it was that all of us, Cardiff included, were quite unprepared for what happened.

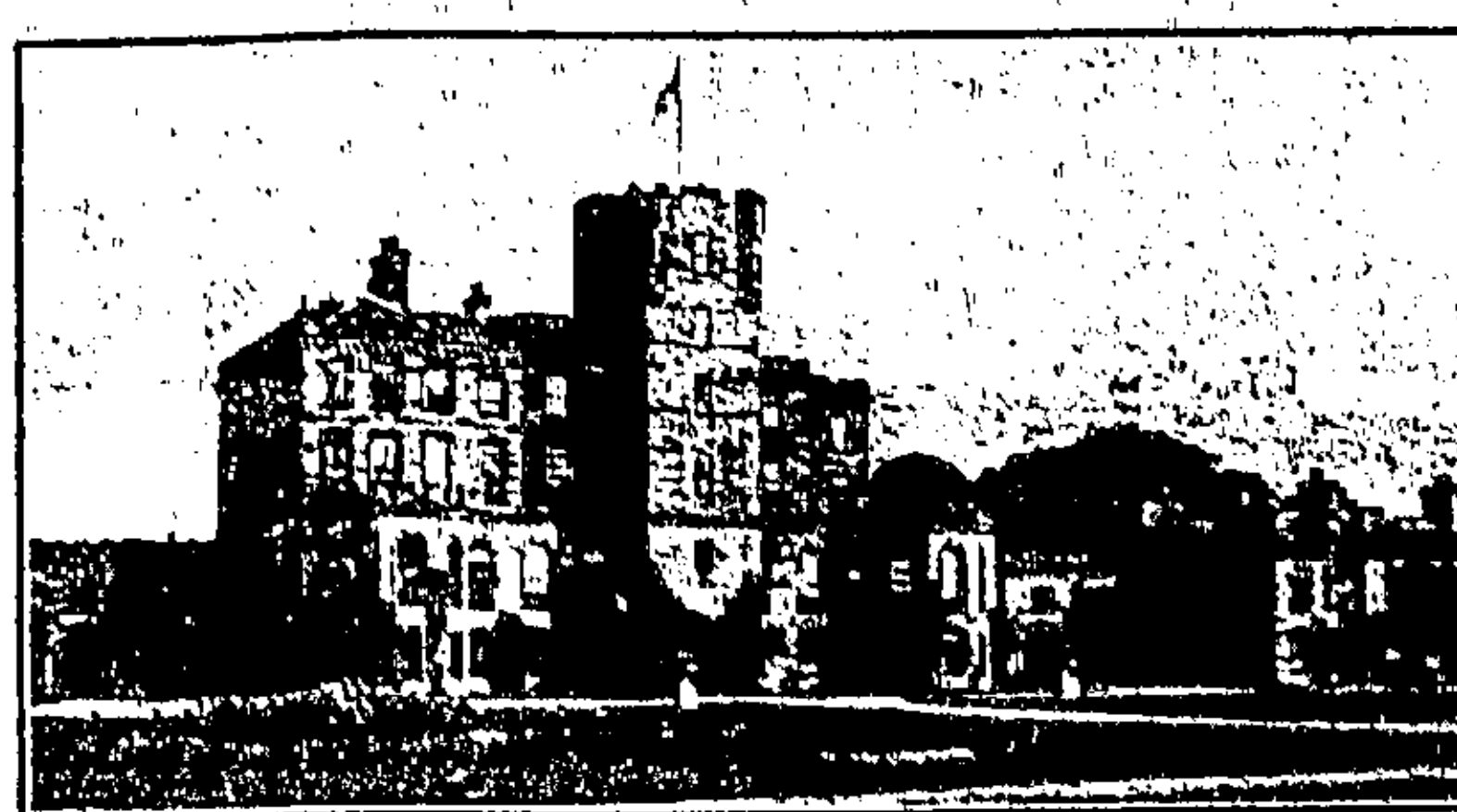
Swansea recaptured the mood which seemed to have deserted them after that defeat of the All Blacks. The first half provided plenty of movement and excitement, but no scoring.

CARDIFF SYSTEM FAILS

It was obvious, though, that Cardiff had met their match forward, and that the young Swansea backs had as much pace as their opponents. For once the Cardiff system of quick passing, with a long pass from inside to outside centre, failed to outflank the Swansea three-quarters, and all the Cardiff movements were brought to an abrupt end on one touch-line or the other, with a Swansea wing clinging desperately to the legs of his opponent.

Meantime, one ghostly disappearance from the clutching hands of three opponents reminded Cardiff, paradoxically, that Davies was there, and Swansea supporters, of course, know that both he and Tanner were there, and kept on hoping.

Then, when about 10 minutes of the second half had gone, the expected happened. Davies fitted through the centre at halfway, and passed to Jenkins on the right wing. Two opponents loomed up. Jenkins stopped, turned in, saw the posts in the far distance, and



A view of Gordon Castle, Fochabers.

HAMMOND TO PLAY AS AN AMATEUR NEXT SEASON

Walter Hammond will play cricket as an amateur next season. He made this announcement personally in London, writes a Home correspondent.

"I am giving up cricket as a profession," he explained, "and am taking a seat on the board of the Marsham Tyre Company. This will in no way interfere with my cricket next season."

Questions were fired at Hammond about his reasons for the step. I asked him whether playing cricket as an amateur had any special attraction to him compared with the professional game.

"By no means, so far as I am concerned," he replied. "That side of the question doesn't interest me. But as an amateur I am master of my own time and can devote attention to business when 'Why have I done it? Simply that I am 34, and I think it is time that I got down to a job of work, which I hope will secure the future."

"Gloucestershire have agreed to cancel the rest of my professional agreement—another 18 months—and I shall play for them as an amateur under the captaincy of B. O. Allen."

NO LORD'S INFLUENCE

Hammond is now available, as an amateur, to captain England. Will he be considered?

I know that the step he has now taken is dictated by business, not cricketing reasons. In other words,

any idea that the authorities at Lord's have exerted any influence may be dismissed as nonsense.

Various attempts were made today to draw him on the subject of captaincy, but he declined to discuss it. "I will wait till they ask me," he remarked.

Certainly I can see no reason why he should be debarred from the captaincy merely on the ground that his amateurism is newly-acquired. In other words, his claims should be regarded in the same light as those of any life-long amateur. Hammond has this advantage—that as a player he is the first choice for the England side. He has captained the Players against the Gentlemen with distinction, and has frequently been in charge of the Gloucestershire team.

Thus far the England selectors are unchosen, so the question lies in the far future.

Hammond, the world's greatest all-rounder, has taken the same step as many other prominent cricketers in changing status late in his career. J. Sharp, H. Makepeace, E. Tyldesley, and V. W. C. Jupp are among them.

RECLUSE BURNED IN COTTAGE

A 70-year-old recluse, Thomas Rowles, was burnt to death when his thatched cottage in Westmorland-road, Swindon, caught fire, and P.C. Hill, who tried to rescue him, received severe burns.

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KOWLOON GOLF

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F. E. A. Remedios bt T. D. Paton 3/1

W. Taylor bt A. A. Lopes 4/3

E. D. da Roza bt W. A. Stewart 1 up

Junior Championship 1st Round results:—

F. A. Hill d. B. Basto 1 up

W. Stoker d. J. R. Humble 1 up

J. R. Leitch d. G. C. Moss 5/4

W. Henderson d. E. M. Hanlon 3/1

W. Kershaw d. M. A. Cairns 5/4

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Consignees are specially notified that it is necessary for a Revenue Officer to be present at the examination of damaged dutiable cargo.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown.
MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co., Agents.
Hong Kong, 26th Nov., 1937. [5778]

ELECTRICITY PROFIT

Gravesend electricity undertaking made a profit of £7,717 last year, of which £4,877 is to be allocated to the relief of rates.

BUSY MINERS

Unemployment figures are the lowest for years, reports the Nottingham Coalfield Employment Exchange, and miners work five and six shifts a week.

S O S FLAGSTAFF

A flagstaff, 30ft high, has been erected on the island of Swona, Pentland Firth, to enable James Ross, sole occupant of Swona, to communicate with the mainland should any vessel be in distress near the island.

£383,183 POWER STATION PLANS

The Stepney Borough Council approved a joint recommendation of the Finance and Parliamentary and Electricity Supply Committees to apply for sanction to borrow £383,183 for the extension of the Limehouse power station.

NEUTRALITY OR SELFISHNESS

PEACE PACTS AND TREATIES MUST BE CLOSELY FOLLOWED

WHOLESALE CONDEMNATION OF WAR

BY SIM KHIM LIN

NOTHING REVEALS SO MUCH THE PATHETIC GROPPINGS OF MANKIND AS THE LAW OF NEUTRALITY. ITS INCLUSION IN INTERNATIONAL LAW IS AN ADMISSION OF DEFEAT IN THE EFFORTS OF NATIONS TO ESTABLISH JUSTICE AND PEACE. FOR THE LEGALITY OF NEUTRALITY IS AN ADMISSION OF THE LEGALITY OF WAR. WITHOUT WAR THERE WOULD BE NO NEED TO INSIST ON NEUTRAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS, AND IN THUS INSISTING, STATES HAVE RESIGNEDLY BOWED TO THE INEVITABILITY OF WAR. YET IF A WORLD VOTE WERE TO BE POLLED REGARDING THE SUITABILITY OF WAR IN SETTLING DISPUTES, THERE WOULD BE NO DOUBT AS TO ITS CONDEMNATION.

Nowhere is the desire for peace and condemnation of war more articulate than in the League of Nations. During the last Sino-Japanese Controversy of 1932, delegates of the world powers, except Japan, unanimously protested against resort to armed force in the settling of disputes as a principle wrecking world-peace and security. Even the Japanese delegates made "peace" their justification for aggression.

The United States Government, though a non-member, stated officially to the League, "The promotion of peace in no matter what part of the world is of concern to all nations. It has been, and is the desire of the American people to participate in efforts directed towards that end." The recent speech of President Roosevelt at Chicago, which raised world optimism in collective action for peace, echoes the same sentiment. At the Brussels Nine-Power Treaty Conference, delegates again repeated their formulae for peace and security based on a scrupulous respect for the principles of International Law.

And this is the pathos and irony of the human drama enacted before our very eyes to-day. Condemning war in solemn agreements as a means of settling disputes, and solemnly promising to accept responsibility and obligations to render war ineffective, States still admit the legality of war, and just as solemnly insist on their rights as neutrals.

The recent passing of the Neutrality Act in America is a revelation of the lengths to which an enlightened and progressive nation will go to keep out of war. Such neutrality legislation, passed for the first time in history, and coming from a first class power, is a significant index to international values.

DETERMINED REFUSAL

Essentially the Neutrality Act was an effort to improve on the lessons of the past in keeping clear of the tentacles of war. It was a determined national refusal to be drawn into any war. The main features of the Bill were therefore its strict impartiality towards belligerents regardless of the rights and wrongs of the war. The greatest care was taken to see that there were no loopholes for the Government to make any distinction between belligerents or to be involved by League Sanctions against aggressors.

Stated plainly, it is the Monroe Doctrine legislated. Stated bluntly—Isolation and inaction at all costs so long as the American nation is not drawn into a war caused by Japanese Imperialism in the Far East or the Fascist and Nazi dreams of expansion in Europe; or more bluntly put by the "New York Times": "It is proposed that we close our eyes to whatever issues may be involved; that we apply our embargoes in terms of absolute equality to the aggressor and his victim, to the tyrant and to the defenders of our democratic tradition. This is not prudence or foresight. It is a counsel of cowardice and bankruptcy of American idealism."

How far results will be compatible with desires still remain to be seen. Signs for prediction may be glimpsed from the last war between Italy and Ethiopia, when the Neutrality Resolution of August 31, 1935, came into force.

The crucial stage of League economic sanctions against Italy was the consideration of an oil embargo on Italy. Its application was deterred by the uncertainty of American co-operation. That this hesitation was justified, can be easily understood, when it is known that Congress was flooded with letters from organizations of Italian-Americans in America protesting against co-operation "which may in any form aid or encourage the so-called League of Nations in extending its present sanctions against Italy to include oil and other merchandise which is essential to the promotion of life and the moral conduct of business," and also in view of the public insistence for strict neutrality. Besides the prospect that President Roosevelt might extend his embargo of "implements of war" to include oil, was lessened, when it became known that Senator Pittman, Chairman of the Senate Committee in Foreign Relations, had given the Senate his virtual pledge that oil, copper, and cotton would not be included as "implements of war."

The supply of oil to belligerent Italy was of vital importance to her in maintaining her war of aggression, and as such was prejudicial to the other belligerent, Abyssinia. If equality of treatment is a fundamental principle and basis of the system of rules of neutrality in times of war, would Abyssinia not have grounds for claiming breach of neutrality? And if she were strong enough to enforce demands, would she not be justified to do so?

"IMPARTIAL TREATMENT"

When the American Government recently forbade the export of arms in Government owned vessels to China or Japan, and declared that any merchantman flying the American flag attempting to transport arms to these two countries would do so at its own risk, its action was also intended to be a case of impartial treatment. No doubt its intention was impartial, but that its consequences are partial to Japan, there is also no doubt. It is tantamount to saying to Japan, "You can make use of any opportunity that we may have given you by virtue of your naval might," while to China, "You likewise can do so, if you can, against the naval blockade by Japan."

So much for the Law of Neutrality as seen in the American neutrality legislation. But how does the conception of neutrality stand in the light of changing international relations?

Before the Great War, no agreements, signed and ratified by responsible Governments, existed which condemned resort to armed force or upheld arbitration as an irrevocable principle in the settling of international disputes. In the text books of International Law then, and even now, war was an inevitable, and therefore legal, means of settling disputes. Attempts were therefore made to humanize war by regulating its conditions according to civilized standards. But war, self-confessed, was recognised as a civilized standard, and the rules of neutrality were in conformation to that civilized standard.

RULES OF WAR

War, undared but unpreventable, was to be submitted to, and rules made to make the acts of war humane. War was to be made less foul by the introduction of legal rules—but it was still admittedly foul. And among these rules of "humane" warfare stood neutrality. To-day there are many who would still seriously advocate the inclusion of the law of neutrality as a practice of civilized states.

They are right. The rules of neutrality and the conduct of "humane" warfare will be the practice of civilized states, until these civilized states realize and assume the responsibility of their obligations as expressed in the League Covenant, the Washington Nine-Power Treaty, and the Kellogg-Briand Pact. But they are also wrong. If obligations expressed in solemn treaties do not form the system of International Law, then there can be no International Law in the sense of Law prescribing a defined mode of action of what is right as conceived by the human mind. All treaties are legally void.

JURISTS AGREED

Leading international jurists are in agreement that neutral rights and obligations have given way to

the absolute primacy of the Covenant, when a State has become a member of the League of Nations. In doing so, the member state has agreed to submit to arbitration by the League of Nations in the settling of disputes, and has agreed to accept obligations and duties to render war ineffective.

The member-state has also agreed to measures of discrimination against itself, if it commits a breach of the Covenant. The recognition of this principle by Italy, when economic sanctions were applied against her during the Italo-Abyssinian War, is practical proof that the hitherto sacred rights of neutrality no longer apply to members of the League of Nations.

All the leading states of the world, except U.S.A., Germany, and Japan, are members of the League of Nations. But the United States and Japan are co-signatories of the Nine-Power Treaty agreeing "to adopt a policy designed to stabilize conditions in the Far East, to safeguard the rights and interests of China, and to promote intercourse between China and the other Powers upon the basis of equality of opportunity."

Sixty-six nations, including Germany, Japan, and the United States, are signatories of the Kellogg-Briand Pact, which agree with the League of Nations in condemning war, for "The High Contracting Parties solemnly declare that they condemn recourse to war for the solution of international controversies, and renounce it as an instrument of national policy in their relations with one another."

A BASIC PRINCIPLE

That treaties, being contractual transactions between States, are legally binding in international relations is a basic principle of International Law. Though obligations may be ignored by a powerful state, without coercive sanctions being successful applied, the obligations of treaties still remain Law. International Law, like Municipal Law, though infringed or ignored, and perhaps incapable of enforcement because of maladministration, is still Law.

How then can war be recognised as a legal practice of International Law? If war is condemned as a practice of nations, how can the legality of neutrality be justified, since the rules of neutrality are based on the conditions of war? For members of the League of Nations, the League Assembly and the Permanent Court of International Justice are bodies which can pronounce the illegality of war. For non-member States, the Nine-Power Treaty and the Kellogg-Briand Pact contain expressed declarations and solemn obligations regulating the practice of nations.

Can any civilized nation in this world therefore stand aloof in selfishness by ignoring its solemn obligations and duties on the remnants of broken faith.

300-YEARS-OLD COINS

Workmen engaged on demolition work at Queen-street, Lynton, Devon, have discovered a quantity of old coins, some of which are believed to be at least 300 years old. Some are so defaced as to be unrecognisable, but others date from the early Stuart period. One coin, in good condition, is dated 1602, and is inscribed "Bank of England, 5s. Dollars."

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Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, the 2nd Dec., 1937.

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MESSAGERIES MARITIMES CO.
Hong Kong, 26th Nov., 1937.

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29th November 1937. [5778]

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI	"MUNAM"	On 6th Dec., 10.15 a.m.
THINGTIAO		
CHUO & THINGTIAO	"YUNNAN"	On 10th Dec., Noon
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGYANG"	On 14th Dec., 2 p.m.
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The S.S. Gneisenau is due to arrive here to-day at 11 a.m. She will berth alongside Kowloon Wharf and will leave here for Europe via ports on December 1 at 6 p.m.

S.S. TANDA
The E. and A. S.S. Tanda left Kobe for this port on November 23, and is due here on the 1st proximo at about 2 a.m.

S.S. THAWA
The B.I. and Apar Lines' S.S. Thawa will leave Amoy for this port on November 23, and is due

here on Nov. 30. She sails for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta from Hong Kong on or about Thursday (December 2) at 10.30 a.m.

R.M.S. EMPRESS OF ASIA
The R.M.S. Empress of Asia (Canadian Pacific S.S. Limited) arrived at Nagasaki on Nov. 28 at 11 a.m. and left Nagasaki on the same day at 8 p.m. She is due at Hong Kong on Dec. 1 (Wednesday) at 8 a.m. and leaves Hong Kong for Manila on the same day at 10 p.m.

S.S. BHUTAN
The P. and O. S.N. Co.'s S.S. Bhutan left Kobe on Nov. 26, and is due here on November 30 at about 7 p.m.

ADVERTISED SAILING FROM HONG KONG

NORTHWARD FROM HONG KONG TO COAST PORTS AND JAPAN

Amoy.
Kiangsu, B. & S., Nov. 30.
Szechuen, B. & S., November 30.
Kwangtung, B. & S., December 1.
Tahiti, H.I. (Apar), December 9.
Hai King, Thoresen's, December 13.
Sirdhana, B.I. (Apar), Dec. 23.
Chaofo.
Hangsang, Jardine's, December 1.
Hupeh, B. & S., December 3.
Prominent, Jardine's, Dec. 3.
Takasag, Jardine's, Dec. 3.
Yunnan, B. & S., Dec. 9.
Fausang, Jardine's, Dec. 12.
Hindenburg, Jochen's, December 15.
Tingsang, Jardine's, December 15.
Dairen.
Patrolus, B. & S., December 5.
Trave, Melchers', December 5.
Hindenburg, Jochen's, Dec. 15.
Kulmerland, Jochen's, December 20.
Titan, B. & S., December 25.
Antenor, B. & S., January 1.

JAPAN (Direct)

Pres. Taft, Dollar's, November 30.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Nov. 30.
Grete Maersk, Jochen's, December 1.
Titania, Thoresen's, December 2.
Yuen-sang, Jardine's, December 3.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M. Line, Dec. 4.
Pyrrhus, B. & S., Dec. 4.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., Dec. 5.
Trave, Melchers', December 5.
Kunsang, Jardine's, Dec. 9.
Tahiti, H.I. (Apar), December 9.
Chile, East Asiatic & Co., December 10.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., December 10.
Delaware Maru, N.Y.K., December 10.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 12.
Dioned, B. & S., December 13.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 14.
Hindenburg, Jochen's, Dec. 15.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., December 17.
Kilano, N.Y.K., December 17.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar's, December 17.
Pres. McKinley, A.M. Line, Dec. 18.
Kunsang, Jardine's, Dec. 19.
Kulmerland, Jochen's, December 20.
Sirdhana, B.I. (Apar), Dec. 23.
Corfu, P. & O., Dec. 24.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Dec. 24.
Pyrrhus, B. & S., December 25.
Titan, B. & S., December 25.
Marchen Maersk, Jochen's, Dec. 27.
Acapator, B. & S., Dec. 28.

Shanghai.

Szechuen, B. & S., November 30.
Hangsang, Jardine's, December 1.
Szechow, B. & S., Dec. 1.
Prominent, Jardine's, Dec. 3.
Kwangtung, B. & S., December 4.
Kiangchow, B. & S., Dec. 5.
Patrolus, B. & S., December 5.
Takasag, Jardine's, Dec. 9.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Dec. 11.
Fausang, Jardine's, Dec. 12.
Tingsang, Jardine's, December 15.
Memnon, B. & S., December 19.
Swatow.
Hangsang, Jardine's, December 1.
Szechow, B. & S., Dec. 1.
Prominent, Jardine's, Dec. 3.
Hiram, Thoresen's, December 5.
Kiangchow, B. & S., Dec. 5.
Vinechow, B. & S., Dec. 5.
Takasag, Jardine's, Dec. 9.
Fausang, Jardine's, Dec. 12.
Hai King, Thoresen's, December 13.
Holla, Thoresen's, December 14.
Kweiran, B. & S., December 14.
Tingsang, Jardine's, December 15.
Taku.
Hindenburg, Jochen's, Dec. 15.
Takao.
Hong Kong Maru, O.S.K., December 7.

Tientsin.

Hangsang, Jardine's, December 1.
Holla, B. & S., December 3.
Prominent, Jardine's, Dec. 3.
Patrolus, B. & S., December 4.
Trave, Melchers', December 5.
Takasag, Jardine's, Dec. 9.
Yunnan, B. & S., Dec. 9.
Fausang, Jardine's, Dec. 12.
Hindenburg, Jochen's, Dec. 15.
Tingsang, Jardine's, December 15.
Kulmerland, Jochen's, December 20.

Eastward

FROM HONG KONG TO NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA.

Bahia.

Pres. Taft, Dollar's, November 30.
Wichita, Thoresen's, Nov. 30.
Grete Maersk, Jochen's, December 1.
Tricolor, Dodwell's, December 18.
Marchen Maersk, Jochen's, Dec. 27.
Baltimore.
Wichita, Thoresen's, Nov. 30.
Grete Maersk, Jochen's, December 1.
Keiyo Maru, N.Y.K., December 13.
Tricolor, Dodwell's, December 18.
Marchen Maersk, Jochen's, Dec. 27.
Boston and New York.
Pres. Taft, Dollar's, November 30.
Wichita, Thoresen's, Nov. 30.
Grete Maersk, Jochen's, December 1.
Keiyo Maru, N.Y.K., December 13.
Tricolor, Dodwell's, December 18.
Marchen Maersk, Jochen's, Dec. 27.

Cristobal.

Pres. Taft, Dollar's, November 30.
Wichita, Thoresen's, Nov. 30.
Grete Maersk, Jochen's, December 1.
Keiyo Maru, N.Y.K., December 13.
Tricolor, Dodwell's, December 18.
Marchen Maersk, Jochen's, Dec. 27.

Havana.

Pres. Taft, Dollar's, November 30.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 14.

Honolulu.

Pres. Taft, Dollar's, November 30.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 14.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar's, December 17.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Dec. 24.

Los Angeles.

Pres. Taft, Dollar's, November 30.
Grete Maersk, Jochen's, December 1.
Keiyo Maru, N.Y.K., December 13.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 14.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar's, December 17.
Tricolor, Dodwell's, December 18.
Marchen Maersk, Jochen's, Dec. 27.

Mexico.

Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 14.

Panama.
Pres. Taft, Dollar's, November 30.
Wichita, Thoresen's, Nov. 30.
Grete Maersk, Jochen's, December 1.
Keiyo Maru, N.Y.K., December 13.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 14.
Marchen Maersk, Jochen's, Dec. 27.

Philadelphia.

Wichita, Thoresen's, Nov. 30.
Grete Maersk, Jochen's, December 1.
Keiyo Maru, N.Y.K., December 13.
Marchen Maersk, Jochen's, Dec. 27.

San Francisco.

Pres. Taft, Dollar's, November 30.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M. Line, Dec. 4.
Pres. McKinley, A.M. Line, Dec. 18.

South America (W.C.)

Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 14.
Vancouver, B.C.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., December 10.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Dec. 24.

Victoria, B.C.

Pres. Jefferson, A.M. Line, Dec. 4.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., December 10.
Pres. McKinley, A.M. Line, Dec. 18.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Dec. 24.

SOUTHWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO COAST PORTS, MANILA, AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports, East and West

Tanda, E. & A. S.S. Co., December 3.
Change, B. & S., December 17.

Batavia.

Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, December 14.
Bangkok.
Hiram, Thoresen's, December 5.
Vinechow, B. & S., Dec. 5.
Holla, Thoresen's, December 14.
Kweiran, B. & S., December 14.

Batavia.

Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, Nov. 30.
Belawan-Deli.
Gneisenau, Melchers', November 30.

Brisbane.

Tanda, E. & A. S.S. Co., December 3.
Change, B. & S., December 17.

Cebu.

Texas, States Co., December 1.
Silverwalnut, Furness', December 23.

Davao.

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Halifax.

Suiyang, B. & S., December 4.
Munam, B. & S., Dec. 9.
Anking, B. & S., Dec. 16.

Holla.

Texas, States Co., December 1.

Hongkong.

Shantung, B. & S., Dec. 2.

Madang.

Friderun, Melchers', December 8.

Makassar.

Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, December 14.

Manila.

Gneisenau, Melchers', November 30.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Dec. 1.

Manila.

Texas, States Co., December 1.

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Change, B. & S., December 17.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Dec. 24.
Silverwalnut, Furness', December 23.

Manila.

Tanda, E. & A. S.S. Co., December 3.
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CHANGES IN COMMAND

Two important changes in commands on the China Station are due early next year, when Capt. P. K. Enright will go to H.M.S. Folkestone, "vice" Capt. J. C. L. Dundas, and Capt. C. S. Sandford, O.B.E., will take over H.M.S. Suffolk, "vice" Capt. H. C. Phillips.

R.U.B. ARRIVED BY DILWARA

The troopship Dilwara arrived yesterday from Shanghai, bringing the 2nd Battalion, Royal Ulster Rifles back to the Colony after nearly three months war duty in the Settlement.

The Ulsters disembarked at the wharf and marched off to Shamshupoo Camp, where they will occupy the barracks of the Royal Welch Fusiliers during their week here. They re-embark on December 9 when the transport will take them to India in accordance with the prearranged programme.

MOVEMENTS

H.M.S. Grimsby left Welhaiwei for Hong Kong on November 27. The U.S.S. Mindanao left Hong Kong on Sunday.

VESSLS DUE

Agapenor, B. & S., Dec. 23.
Anking, B. & S., Nov. 23.
Anna Maersk, Jochen's, December 31.
Anyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 9.
Antenor, B. & S., January 1.
Aramis, Messageries', Nov. 22.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 24.
Behar, P. & O., Dec. 17.
Bokuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 11.
Burgeland, Jochen's, December 4.
C/Singapore, Bank Line, December 10.
Change, B. & S., Dec. 10.
Chile, East Asiatic & Co., December 10.
Crenar, J.C.J. Line, Nov. 30.
Diomed, B. & S., December 13.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Dec. 1.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Dec. 17.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., December 23.
Gneisenau, Melchers', Nov. 30.
Grete Maersk, Jochen's, December 1.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., December 17.
Harumi Maru, O.S.K., December 19.
Hindenburg, Jochen's, December 15.

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GENERAL YANG FU-CHEN INTERVIEWED

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"MOST SERIOUS"
"Great Britain has vast interests in this part of the world," continued the General, "and cannot afford to overlook or to consider as but most serious all that is happening now."

"What are the implications of the recently concluded Sino-Soviet Treaty, and do you think it probable that China will in the last resort, falling foreign aid, resort to active Russian assistance?" "Soviet Russia is a peace-loving country," replied General Yang, "and she has but re-affirmed her peaceful intentions, by making a treaty with our country. The Russian people are one in their sympathy for China. But Russian intervention will not of itself confer lasting peace in the Far East. Peace rests on a policy of co-operation by all Powers. We in China, however, look upon the Soviet-Chinese relationship as almost the same as the British-Chinese relationship, as both countries have the same fate in China."

SOVIET CONCENTRATIONS
"Do you attach any meaning to the reported Soviet concentrations along the border and in Vladivostok? Is there any truth in the rumour that the Trans-Siberian Railway is now being used solely for the conveyance of troops and materials of war?"

"All this news is not definite, and I can't say whether it is true or not. Nevertheless, it is possible, because the Japanese actions in China are not only the concern of China but of the whole world. China is not fighting her own fight only, but she is fighting a battle for the peace of the world."

"If Russia considers that she must defend herself, then it is quite possible that she may put a large army in her Far Eastern territory. A future war between Japan and Soviet Russia might come true," was the General's reply.

"Questioned on the threatened Japanese occupation of Shanghai, the General expressed the opinion that Japan hoped to capture the Settlement but international circumstances might not allow it. The reported intention of the Japanese to take control of the Settlement, said the General, was plainly an attempt to determine the attitude of the British Government, which had the largest interests at stake."

IT MAY BE HONG KONG
"If the British attitude is strong, Japan will well understand what it may mean, and is likely to put a stop to her foolish actions. But if it is the other way round, then Japan will be encouraged to perpetrate further encroachments. It may be Hong Kong to-morrow, and Singapore the day after that!"

"In view of what it may lead to, do you consider it wise for the Japanese to carry out their announced victory march through roads in the Settlement?"

"As a whole, the war is not a wise thing for Japan, and this is only making a foolish action more foolish."

"What about the danger to Nanking's occupation—will it have any demoralising influence on the people?" the General was asked.

"It may have on a small part of the people," said the General. "To those who are well aware of things, however, the occupation of the capital, even if it is a fact, will mean nothing. The Government has, however, made every attempt to make the masses realise that the decisive victory will be China's in a long war, and it will no doubt be able to instil universal confidence throughout the length and breadth of the country."

"As a military man, what do you think of the fighting quality of the Japanese army?"

"In a short war, they are all right. But in a long struggle, their power will be reduced and further reduced. That is why we want a long war. We can well stand up to it, but the Japanese can't."

JAPAN WILL FAIL
"Moreover, Japan will experience internal difficulties if hostilities are extended over any length of time. Her present economic troubles are well known, and if she has to spend without stopping over and above her revenue, her economy will certainly fail. The people will then oppose the Government's policy and demand a change."

"Do the Japanese people want this war?"

"I believe they are misled. The present Japanese Government is a form of absolute fascism, and can't be representative of the people."

SPEEDING UP AIR TRAVEL

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landed the "Snipe" 5 days later in Paramaribo (Netherlands Guiana) the actual crossing of the Atlantic having been effected in less than 17 hours. Over 25,000 Christmas letters from Holland were delivered the same day.

From October 2nd of this year there have been 3 services a week between Amsterdam and Batavia. With this regular connection the bond between Holland and the Dutch East Indies has been consolidated.

Owing to the use of faster material, improvement of the ground organisation and the speeding up of the refuelling at intermediate stations it has become possible to shorten the journey as the figure below illustrates:

	East-bound	West-bound	Journey	Difference
1932	10.4 days	9.8 days	0.6 days	
1933	9.8	9.1	0.7	
1934	9.1	9.0	0.1	
1935*	8.7	8.6	0.1	
1935*	8.8	8.5	0.3	
1936	8.3	8.0	0.3	
1937	5.5	5.7	0.2	

*1st half year. —2nd half year.

ELIMINATION OF "MAILING DAY"

One of the most noticeable results of this newly established service is the elimination of "mailing day," about which commercial life in the Indies is centered. Every second day, a K.L.M. plane, with passengers and post, starts off from Schiphol Airport, Amsterdam, and from Tjillit Airport, Batavia. From each the plane leaves every Tuesday and Saturday, while the arrival in Batavia is fixed for Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. In Schiphol, however, the machines arrive on Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. The outward journey takes 61 days and the homeward journey 51 days, during the winter season.

Missionaries Plead For Peace

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all nations except China. Secondly, the spokesman said that an alternative could be that all occupied territory should be returned to China except where China, of her own free will, countenance the occupation of any such occupied areas.

He urged all the nations to change their attitude towards China and regard her as a country that should be helped and not exploited. He concluded by saying that there was one way out of this very sorry state of affairs—that Justice and the Brotherhood of mankind be followed closely by all the nations of the world. The result might be that what now appears to have the possibilities of a world war might be just the opposite—it might bring about a world of peace and quiet.

DEATH OF DR. H. MANTLER

Berlin, Nov. 29: Dr. Heinrich Mantler, who was formerly for many years Director of the semi-official German news agency, "Wolfs" Telegraphisches Bureau, died here last night at the age of 76 years. Deceased who was born in Vienna retired in 1929 owing to ill-health from "Wolfs" Bureau in which he had been active for forty years.—*Frankfurter News Service.*

DR. WANG CHUNG-HUI
Hankow, Nov. 29: Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Minister of Foreign Affairs, arrived here from Changsha by boat last night.—*Central News.*

No doubt there is also a Left Wing party, but it is equally not truly representative.

"But I will predict one thing. That is, Japan will have a government after the failure of her present regime that will be not only democratic, but better than that." Winding up the vigorous and refreshing interview, our representative asked General Yang what course would China adopt after the war, if she should win it, and would any striking change be noticed in the country or the people as a whole.

General Yang said: "China is a peace-loving country, and there is no likelihood of her going after revenge. That would not be worthy of her. During this time, the Chinese people are trying to make their government system a democratic one. We will not be proud of our victory. All we Chinese wish for are liberty and independence, and to stand on the same basis as other countries."

BOY SCOUTS' ANNUAL MEETING

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Scoutmaster's Warrants
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Certificate to:—1st. Hong Kong (St. Joseph's College) Troop for winning first place in the Prince of Wales' Banner Competition Camp, 1936.

Certificate of Commendation from H.E. the local Chief Scout to Scout Dicken Lay of the 13th. Hong Kong (Central Chinese) Troop for his smart action in arresting a thief on June 23rd, 1937.

The Silver Wolf to the Rev. N. V. Halward, M.C., M.A., Colony Commissioner, Hong Kong Branch, from the Chief Scout of all the world, for his most excellent services to the movement.

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WEATHER REPORT

ROYAL OBSERVATORY HONG KONG

10 a.m., Nov. 29.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.19 ins.

Temperature, 64 F.

Humidity, 67 per cent.

Wind Direction, North.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 2.

Temperature; maximum yesterday, 77 F.

Temperature; minimum last night, 62 F.

Rainfall for 24 hours, ending 10th to-day, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1, 31.89.

Against an average of 83.93 ins.

Sunset to-night, 5.38 p.m.

Sunrise to-morrow, 6.45 a.m.

4 p.m., Nov. 29.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.07.

Temperature, 66. Humidity, 62.

Wind Direction, North. Wind Force (Beaufort), 2. Maximum temperature, 79. Minimum temperature, 61.

Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From Nov. 30 to December 6, 1937.

HIGH WATER. LOW WATER.

Time of Day. Height. Time of Day. Height.

Tues. 30. 11.22. 6.10. 12.15. 2.35.

Wed. 1. 10.14. 7.0. 12.25. 3.2.

Thurs. 2. 10.3. 7.8. 12.34. 3.7.

Fri. 3. 10.45. 7.8. 12.43. 3.8.

Sat. 4. 11.24. 7.8. 12.52. 3.8.

Sun. 5. 12.08. 7.7. 1.0. 3.8.

Mon. 6. 12.48. 7.7. 1.09. 3.8.

FOREIGN MAILS

CHRISTMAS LETTER MAIL FOR CANADA AND LETTER AND PARCEL MAILS FOR U.S.A.

The Christmas Letter Mail for Canada and U.S.A. and Parcel Mail for U.S.A. will be closed in the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office as follows:—

Registered Mail	5.00 p.m. 30th November
Ordinary Mail	5.30 p.m. 30th November
Parcels (U.S.A. only)	4.00 p.m. 30th November

These mails will be forwarded by the s.s. "President Taft" and are due in San Francisco on the 21st December 1937.

CHRISTMAS LETTER AND PARCEL MAILS FOR AUSTRALIA

The Christmas Letter and Parcel Mails for Australia will be closed in the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office as follows:—

Parcels	5.00 p.m. 2nd December.
Registered Mail	5.00 p.m. 2nd December.
Ordinary Mail	9.00 a.m. 3rd December.

These mails will be forwarded by the s.s. "Tanda" and are due to arrive at Sydney on 22nd December 1937.

Christmas and New Year cards bearing not more than five written words and enclosed in open envelopes are accepted by the Post Office at the rate for printed matter, i.e. 6 cents per 2 ounces, for all countries. Hongkong, China and Macao at 3 cents per 2 ounces. Envelopes must not be closed.

Letters and Postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Date
HAIPHONG	Kowloon	3th Nov.
SWATOW	Hupei	30th Nov.
JAPAN	Shanghai	30th Nov.
SHANGHAI and SWATOW	Shanghai	30th Nov.
JAPAN	Gosensau	3th Nov.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways"	Imperial Airways	30th Nov.
Direct Service—London date	Plane	30th Nov.
20th November	Yasuni Sawa	30th Nov.
STRAITS	Amoy	30th Nov.
STRAITS	Cebu	30th Nov.
STRAITS	Yasuni Sawa	1st Dec.
ALCOY, STRAITS and SINGAPORE	Pan-American Airways	1st Dec.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways"	Plane	1st Dec.
Direct Service—San Francisco date, 24th November	Tanda	1st Dec.
JAPAN	Hawaii Maru	1st Dec.
JAPAN	U.S.A. and JAPAN (Vancouver)	1st Dec.
R.C. 13th November	Haruna Maru	1st Dec.
JAPAN	Pyrrhus	1st Dec.
STRAITS	U.S.A. Hongkong and JAPAN (San Francisco, 6th November)	4th Dec.
STRAITS	Patricius	4th Dec.
STRAITS	Nankin	4th Dec.
AUSTRALIA and MANILA	Pres. Jefferson	5th Dec.
M. IIA	Irion	5th Dec.
JAPAN		

OUTWARD MAILS

REGISTERED AND PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 8 p.m. on the previous day.

From	Per	Date and Time
Tuesday	Tai Ming	Tuesday 30th 8.15 a.m.
Samsui and Wuchow		
Air Mail for North China, Shan & Nanking (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permit).	Eurasia Plane	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 9.00 a.m. Ord. 9.30 a.m.
Kowloon and (Pakoi via Kowloon)	On Lee	10.00 a.m.
Haiphong	Tanlong	2.00 p.m.
Shanghai	Shanghai	2.30 p.m.
Amoy and (Fochow via Amoy) and	Szechuen	3.20 p.m.
Shanghai	Yasuni Maru	3.30 p.m.
Japan	Tinslak	4.30 p.m.
Hatavia and Sourabaya		
Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America Canada and	Pres. Taft	Parcels 4.00 p.m. Reg. 5.00 p.m. Ord. 5.30 p.m.
*EUROPE via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 21st December—and		
*EUROPE via Siberia		

WEDNESDAY

Air Mail for North China and Nanking (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permit).

*Straits *Japan *Asia Adm. *Egypt *EUROPE via Mar. *U.S.A. *Hawaii, 24th Dec.—and London

Parcels—due London, 5th Jan., 1938.

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